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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2011 ON PAGE 102.]

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6 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I ASK EVERYONE TO RISE FOR THE  
7 INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. THE INVOCATION IS  
8 GOING TO BE LED BY PASTOR IVORY BROWN OF BROWN MEMORIAL TEMPLE  
9 IN POMONA AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY JOSEPH  
10 SMITH, THE DIRECTOR OF OUR VETERANS AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT. PASTOR  
11 BROWN.

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13 **PASTOR IVORY BROWN:** BLESS YOU. AS WE PRAY, PRECIOUS FATHER, AS  
14 WE GATHER HERE TODAY, WE PRAY THAT WE ARE MINDFUL OF  
15 OPPORTUNITIES TO RENDER OUR SERVICE TO OUR FELLOW CITIZENS AND  
16 TO OUR COMMUNITIES. WE ASK THAT YOU GUIDE AND DIRECT THE  
17 ACTIONS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND ITS LEADERS. WE PRAY  
18 FOR THEIR STRENGTH AND GUIDANCE FOR EACH DAY AS IT COMES, FOR  
19 EACH DAY'S DUTIES AND FOR EACH DAY'S PROBLEMS. MAY WE ALL BE  
20 CHALLENGED TO GIVE OUR BEST ALWAYS, AND MAY WE ALL BE ASSURE  
21 OF YOUR PRESENCE WITH US ALWAYS, AMEN.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AMEN.

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1   **COL. JOSEPH SMITH:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR  
2   HEART AND JOIN ME IN OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. (PLEDGE OF  
3   ALLEGIANCE RECITED).

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5   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING. I'D LIKE  
6   TO CALL ON SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR A SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE.

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8   **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
9   LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, MANY OF US ARE  
10  REMINDING HOW FORTUNATE WE ARE TO BE SURROUNDED BY OUR LOVED  
11  ONES. SADLY, NOT EVERYONE SHARES THAT BLESSING. TOMORROW THE  
12  COUNTY WILL BURY THE REMAINS OF 1,639 INDIVIDUALS IN A MASS  
13  GRAVE. THESE ARE INDIVIDUALS THAT FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER  
14  HAVE NO ONE BUT THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A RESPECTFUL  
15  AND DIGNIFIED BURIAL. SOME ARE HOMELESS. SOME ARE POOR. SOME  
16  HAVE NO FAMILIES. AND SOME HAVE NO FAMILIES TO GRIEVE FOR  
17  THEM. SO REGARDLESS OF WHAT THEIR STATUS IN LIFE WAS, EACH ONE  
18  OF THEIR LIVES MATTERED. IT MATTERS TO US, THEIR COUNTY  
19  FAMILY. PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT OF SILENCE TO THINK OF THEM.  
20  (MOMENT OF SILENCE OBSERVED). THANK YOU.

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22   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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24   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WERE LED  
25  IN PRAYER THIS MORNING BY PASTOR IVORY BROWN OF THE BROWN





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1 MEMORIAL TEMPLE IN POMONA. SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS NOT HERE  
2 TODAY, SO I'M ACTING IN HER PLACE TO PRESENT YOU WITH THIS  
3 PROCLAMATION. I WAS NOT GIVEN ANY BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON  
4 YOU, PASTOR, SO I'M JUST GOING TO MAKE IT UP. PASTOR BROWN IS  
5 A MAN OF GOD. [LAUGHTER.] A FAITHFUL MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY.  
6 AND I'M SURE HAS A CONGREGATION THAT LOVES HIM AND RESPECTS  
7 HIM AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY, BOTH  
8 THROUGH YOUR FAITH AND THROUGH THE OTHER SERVICES YOU PROVIDE  
9 TO THE PEOPLE OF POMONA AND BEYOND. WE WISH YOU A HAPPY  
10 HOLIDAY, PASTOR. [APPLAUSE.]

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12 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND WE THANK JOE SMITH FOR LEADING  
13 US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. I'D LIKE TO CALL ON SUPERVISOR  
14 ANTONOVICH FOR ANY REMARKS HE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AS THE  
15 OUTGOING CHAIR. MAYOR.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE YEAR WENT BY VERY FAST. IT DOESN'T  
18 SEEM LIKE IT'S BEEN 12 MONTHS, BUT IT HAS. AND WE'VE HAD SOME  
19 INTERESTING TIMES DURING THIS TIME. I THINK THE MOST  
20 COMPREHENSIVE INPUT FROM THE COMMUNITY, THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE,  
21 FROM THE SUPERVISORS AND THEIR STAFF WAS THE ISSUE OF  
22 REAPPORTIONMENT. WHILE WE HAD VARIOUS POINTS OF VIEWS BEING  
23 EXPRESSED, WE WERE ABLE TO CONDUCT OUR HEARING IN A FAIR,  
24 OBJECTIVE MANNER SO EVERY CITIZEN HAD THE RIGHT TO EXPRESS  
25 THEIR POINT OF VIEW. AND I WOULD SAY THAT THE AUDIENCE OVER BY



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1 AND LARGE WERE ALSO COURTEOUS TO EACH OF THEIR FELLOW CITIZENS  
2 WHO HAD DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEWS AND ALLOWING THEM TO EXPRESS  
3 THEIR POINT AND THEN WITH THE BOARD COMING TOGETHER AND MOVING  
4 FORWARD WITH THE REAPPORTIONMENT PLAN THAT WILL CARRY OUT THE  
5 COUNTY FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS. THE ABILITY FOR THE COUNTY TO  
6 WORK COOPERATIVELY HAS BEEN A STRENGTH. AND THAT'S BECAUSE AT  
7 THE TOP, OUR STAFFS ARE ABLE TO WORK TOGETHER. AND WHILE WE  
8 HAVE DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW FROM TIME TO TIME, WE'VE BEEN  
9 ABLE TO WORK TOGETHER CONSTRUCTIVELY SO THAT UNLIKE THE CITY  
10 ACROSS THE STREET HERE, OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN LIKE  
11 THREE YEARS WITHOUT A SALARY INCREASE, THEY'VE BEEN ABLE TO  
12 WORK TOGETHER TO OVERCOME THE SHORTCOMINGS THAT WE'VE HAD.  
13 WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO MAINTAIN THE DELIVERY OF SERVICES AND  
14 PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH AND OTHER VITAL SERVICES. WE JUST HAD  
15 A DEVASTATION WITH THE WINDS THAT HAVE SWEEPED PART OF THE  
16 COUNTY AND WE STILL HAVE CITIZENS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WHO  
17 DON'T HAVE POWER AND ENERGY. AND WE'LL DISCUSS THAT A LITTLE  
18 BIT LATER. BUT THE COUNTY HAS A BIG RESPONSIBILITY, A BIG  
19 CHALLENGE. THE CHALLENGE THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE FACING IS THE  
20 RE-ALIGNMENT WHERE WE NOW HAVE ALL OF THESE INDIVIDUALS COMING  
21 FROM THE STATE PRISON THAT WE'RE BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR. AND  
22 THE BOARD HAS COME TOGETHER TO CHALLENGE THESE ISSUES AND TO  
23 SUPPORT LEGISLATION TO MAKE CORRECTIONS; AND, IF NECESSARY,  
24 LEGAL CHALLENGES IN THE COURT TO PREVENT THE FLOODING OF  
25 CRIMINALS INTO OUR COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH MENTAL



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1 HEALTH PROBLEMS THAT ARE A DANGER NOT ONLY TO OTHERS BUT A  
2 DANGER TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. SO OVERALL, I WOULD JUST WANT  
3 TO THANK MY STAFF FOR THE 12 MONTHS OF GOOD WORK THAT THEY  
4 HAVE DONE, AND MY COLLEAGUES' STAFFS FOR THEIR ABILITY TO WORK  
5 TOGETHER, AND OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICE, OUR C.E.O., OUR COUNTY  
6 COUNSEL AND OTHERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS WHERE WE HAVE WORKED  
7 THESE PAST 12 MONTHS AND LOOK FORWARD TO A GREAT 2012 SO WE  
8 CAN KEEP THIS UNITY AND CONSTRUCTIVE LEADERSHIP GOING. SO WE  
9 CONGRATULATE YOU, MR. MAYOR TO 2013. IT'S AN INTERESTING YEAR.  
10 2012 WILL BE A VERY INTERESTING YEAR AND CHALLENGE FOR  
11 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. [APPLAUSE.]

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MIKE. AND I THINK I  
14 SPEAK FOR ALL ALL YOUR COLLEAGUES. IT WAS A PARTICULARLY  
15 CHALLENGING YEAR THIS PAST YEAR. AND I THINK YOU DID AN  
16 OUTSTANDING JOB IN NAVIGATING AND BRINGING TO FRUITION A LOT  
17 OF THE THINGS THAT HAD TO BE DEALT WITH WITHOUT DELAY BOTH  
18 HERE AND IN SOME OF OUR EXTERNAL RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE  
19 BOARD. AND CONGRATULATE YOU ON THAT. [APPLAUSE.] I HAD NOT  
20 PLANNED TO GIVE A LONG SET OF REMARKS. I JUST WANT TO MAKE A  
21 COUPLE OF COMMENTS JUST AS FAR AS WHAT I HOPE WE'LL BE ABLE TO  
22 DO THIS COMING YEAR. AND THE CHALLENGES THAT WE FACE I THINK  
23 ARE REASONABLY SELF-EVIDENT, THE CONTINUED FISCAL CHALLENGES  
24 THAT THIS COUNTY AND ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT FACES NEED TO BE  
25 FIRST AND FOREMOST IN OUR MINDS. THE DISCIPLINE THAT THIS





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1 BOARD HAS MAINTAINED FOR MANY YEARS NOW AND HAS ENABLED US TO  
2 NAVIGATE THIS RECESSION, WHICH NOW ENTERS ITS FOURTH YEAR, HAS  
3 TO BE MAINTAINED. AND ALL OF OUR EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE BEEN GREAT  
4 PARTNERS WITH US AND ALL OF OUR ADMINISTRATORS AND ALL OF US  
5 HAVE TO RECOGNIZE THAT THE REASON WE HAVE NOT LAID OFF ANYONE  
6 OR FURLOUGHED ANYONE OR DONE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT MANY OF  
7 THE OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS HAVE DONE AND THE STATE HAS DONE  
8 AROUND THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS IS BECAUSE WE HAVE MAINTAINED  
9 THAT DISCIPLINE AND WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO DO THAT TO KEEP  
10 EVERYONE WORKING, EVERYONE EARNING A SALARY, PUTTING FOOD ON  
11 THE TABLE. AND AS THINGS TURN AROUND, AS WE HOPE THEY WILL, AS  
12 THEY INEVITABLY DO, THAT WE WILL APPROPRIATELY RESPOND TO WHAT  
13 HAS BEEN A UNIQUE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN US AND OUR COUNTY  
14 EMPLOYMENT FORCE. THE PEOPLE WHO DEPEND ON US FOR SERVICES, AS  
15 MIKE SAID, ARE PARTICULARLY STRESSED AT A TIME LIKE THIS. AND  
16 OUR BUDGET GETS STRESSED. THE UNIQUE THING ABOUT COUNTY  
17 GOVERNMENT IS WHEN THE ECONOMY GOES DOWN, THE DEMAND FOR OUR  
18 SERVICES GO UP. SO OUR ABILITY TO RESPOND TO THE PEOPLE IN  
19 NEED IS PARTICULARLY CHALLENGED WHEN THEY NEED IT MOST. AND WE  
20 HAVE TO CONTINUE NOT ONLY TO MAINTAIN OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE  
21 FOR THE PEOPLE IN NEED HERE BUT ALSO TO BE STRONG AND  
22 SOMETIMES UNCOMPROMISING ADVOCATES WITH OUR PARTNERS IN  
23 SACRAMENTO IN INSURING THAT THOSE WHO HAVE THE LEAST OF THE  
24 VOICE, THE LEAST OF THE VOICES IN OUR SOCIETY ARE NOT  
25 FORGOTTEN AND ARE NOT LEFT BEHIND. ONE WAY OR THE OTHER, WE'RE



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1 GOING TO END UP DEALING WITH THOSE WHO ARE ON THE MARGINS AND  
2 MIGHT AS WELL DO IT THE RIGHT WAY AND NOT THE WRONG WAY. WE  
3 HAVE A GREAT NEW HEALTH DIRECTOR IN MITCH KATZ, AND WE HAVE  
4 GREAT CHALLENGES AHEAD FOR THAT DEPARTMENT, BOTH THIS YEAR,  
5 THIS COMING YEAR AND THE YEARS AHEAD. AND I DON'T THINK WE  
6 COULD HAVE A BETTER STEWARD THAN DR. KATZ IN FACING THE  
7 CHALLENGES THAT WE HAVE, BOTH IN THE AREA OF THE HEALTH  
8 REFORM, IN THE AREA OF JUST MANAGING OUR OWN DEPARTMENT AND  
9 ENSURING THAT THE RESOURCES OF THAT DEPARTMENT ARE SUFFICIENT  
10 TO PROVIDE FOR THE SERVICES WE ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE NOW AND  
11 THE EXPANDED SERVICES THAT WE WILL PROVIDE ONCE WE OPEN MARTIN  
12 LUTHER KING HOSPITAL HOPEFULLY THE YEAR AFTER NEXT, NOT TOO  
13 FAR AWAY. HEALTHCARE REMAINS ONE OF OUR NUMBER 1 CHALLENGES. I  
14 ALSO WANT TO JUST MENTION HOMELESSNESS. THIS COUNTY HAS DONE A  
15 LOT ON HOMELESSNESS OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, BUT IT'S TIME  
16 TO RATCHET UP OUR EFFORTS IN THE COUNTY, IN THE COUNTY FAMILY.  
17 IT'S TIME TO RATCHET UP OUR EFFORTS AND TAKE IT TO A NEW  
18 LEVEL. AND I'M NOT GOING TO PROPOSE IT TODAY, BUT IN THE DAYS  
19 AHEAD I'M GOING TO SUGGEST, AS I HAVE SPOKEN TO BILL FUJIOKA,  
20 OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THAT WE ESTABLISH AN  
21 INTERDEPARTMENTAL TASKFORCE, A LA THE C.C.J.C.C. FOR CRIMINAL  
22 JUSTICE, FOR HOMELESSNESS. WE'LL GET ALL THE STAKEHOLDER  
23 DEPARTMENTS TOGETHER IN THE SAME ROOM WITH A COMMON FOCUS,  
24 GUIDED BY THE POLICIES OF THIS BOARD TO TAKE US TO A NEW LEVEL  
25 OF PARTNERING WITH OUR CITIES AND WITH OUR NONPROFIT



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1 ORGANIZATIONS. WE'VE DONE A LOT OF THAT IN THE LAST FEW YEARS.  
2 WE HAVE CREATED SOME TEMPLATES FOR HOW TO ADDRESS  
3 HOMELESSNESS. I THINK NOW IT'S TIME TO GO TO A NEW LEVEL IN  
4 REACHING MORE PEOPLE, BOTH CHRONICALLY AND NOT CHRONICALLY  
5 HOMELESS PERSONS IN OUR COMMUNITY. IT REMAINS ONE OF THE GREAT  
6 STAINS ON OUR SOCIETY NATIONALLY THAT WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO  
7 GET OUR ARMS AROUND THIS ISSUE. BUT AT LEAST THIS COUNTY IS  
8 MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. LASTLY, IT'S MY HOPE THAT WE'LL  
9 BE ABLE TO INTEGRATE THE BOARD WITH THE BUREAUCRACY A LITTLE  
10 MORE, HAVE A LITTLE BETTER COORDINATION AND COMMUNICATION BACK  
11 AND FORTH, FEWER SURPRISES, MORE COLLABORATION. I THINK WE'VE  
12 SEEN SOME OF THAT IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS AND WE WANT TO JUST  
13 KEEP THAT MOMENTUM GOING. AND MY HOPE IS THAT THROUGH OUR  
14 COLLECTIVE EFFORTS, WE'LL BE ABLE TO DO THAT. I NOW WANT TO  
15 MAKE ONE PROCEDURAL COMMENT AS IT RELATES TO PUBLIC COMMENT. I  
16 THINK EVERYONE HERE KNOWS, CERTAINLY WE KNOW, THAT THE BOARD  
17 VALUES INPUT FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND HAS ADOPTED BOARD  
18 RULES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, WHICH ARE AVAILABLE IN THE COUNTY'S  
19 WEBSITE. IN SUM, THE BOARD'S RULES PROVIDE THAT FOR AGENDA  
20 ITEMS, THE SPEAKER IS LIMITED TO A TOTAL OF THREE MINUTES PER  
21 MEETING. AND THE SPEAKERS' COMMENTS MUST BE RELATED TO THE  
22 AGENDA ITEM. THIS MEANS THAT A SPEAKER IS ALLOWED UP TO A  
23 TOTAL OF THREE MINUTES FOR ALL AGENDA ITEMS THEY WISH TO  
24 ADDRESS AT THE MEETING. FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS, THE SPEAKER ALSO  
25 IS LIMITED TO A TOTAL OF TWO MINUTES PER MEETING. AND THE



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1 SPEAKERS' COMMENTS MUST RELATE TO ANY ITEM THAT IS WITHIN THE  
2 BOARD'S SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION, EVEN IF THE PARTICULAR  
3 MATTER IS NOT BEING CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD ON THAT DAY. FOR  
4 AGENDA ITEMS, WHEN A PERSON HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON MULTIPLE  
5 ITEMS, INSTEAD OF CALLING THE PERSON UP MULTIPLE TIMES, I WILL  
6 ASK THAT THEY ADDRESS ALL OF THEIR ITEMS AT ONE TIME AND STAY  
7 WITHIN THE THREE-MINUTE TIME LIMIT. THIS WILL SAVE SPEAKERS  
8 TIME AND INCONVENIENCE OF HAVING TO COME UP AND SPEAK, THEN  
9 RETURN TO THEIR SEATS AND THEN COME BACK UP AND GO BACK TO  
10 THEIR SEATS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. ALSO AS CHAIR, I MAY, IN  
11 THE INTEREST OF FACILITATING THE BUSINESS OF THE BOARD,  
12 FURTHER LIMIT OR INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF TIME WHICH A PERSON  
13 MAY USE IN ADDRESSING THE BOARD. FOR INSTANCE, SETTING  
14 STRICTER TIME LIMITS MIGHT BE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO ALLOW  
15 EVERY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD TO DO  
16 SO WITHIN A TOTAL ALLOTTED TIME OR IN ORDER TO COMPLETE A  
17 MEETING WITH A LENGTHY AGENDA WITHIN A REASONABLE PERIOD OF  
18 TIME. WE'VE DONE THAT ON AN AD HOC BASIS IN THE PAST. WE'RE  
19 GOING TO FORMALIZE THAT APPROACH NOW. SPEAKERS ARE ASKED TO BE  
20 CONCISE, STAY ON THE TOPIC, ABIDE BY THE TIME LIMIT AND AVOID  
21 PERSONALITIES WHEN ADDRESSING THE BOARD. YOU ARE ALSO REMINDED  
22 THAT THIS IS A TIME TO HEAR YOUR INPUT BUT IT IS NOT A TIME  
23 FOR DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.  
24 IF YOU DO NOT STAY ON THE TOPIC OR ABIDE BY THESE RULES, YOU  
25 WILL BE ASKED TO RETURN TO YOUR SEAT. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT



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1 IF YOU CONTINUE TO REFUSE TO OBEY THE RULES AFTER BEING WARNED  
2 OR IF YOU CAUSE AN ACTUAL DISRUPTION THAT PREVENTS THE BOARD  
3 FROM CONTINUING TO CONDUCT ITS MEETING, SECURITY OFFICERS WILL  
4 ESCORT YOU FROM THE HEARING ROOM. FORTUNATELY WE HAVE NOT HAD  
5 TOO MANY OF THOSE INSTANCES IN THE PAST. I PLAN TO BRING A  
6 MOTION IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS TO CODIFY THESE CHANGES IN  
7 OUR RULES. SO JUST TO SUMMARIZE AGAIN, ON ANY GIVEN ITEM, THE  
8 MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF TIME ALLOWABLE IS THREE MINUTES. PEOPLE WHO  
9 SIGN UP FOR MULTIPLE ITEMS TO BE HEARD WILL HAVE A CUMULATIVE  
10 TOTAL OF THREE MINUTES TO BE HEARD ON ALL OF THOSE ITEMS. AND  
11 ON PUBLIC COMMENT, EACH INDIVIDUAL WILL BE PROVIDED A TWO-  
12 MINUTE AMOUNT OF TIME TO BE HEARD, WHICH IS WHAT WE'VE BEEN  
13 DOING FOR SOME TIME NOW. AND I HOPE THAT WILL STREAMLINE THE  
14 WAY WE DO OUR PUBLIC COMMENT BUSINESS GOING FORWARD. WITH  
15 THAT, I THINK THE NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS IS THE ELECTION OF A  
16 CHAIR PRO TEM.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'D LIKE TO NOMINATE SUPERVISOR MARK  
19 RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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21 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION? WE WANT TO  
22 REFER THIS TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE FOR AN INTERMINABLY LONG  
23 RECOMMENDATION. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. MARK, YOU  
24 WANT TO SAY ANYTHING AT THIS POINT?

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOT VERY MUCH, OTHER THAN I APPRECIATE THE  
2    OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE GENERALLY, AND LOOK FORWARD TO THIS YEAR,  
3    MR. CHAIRMAN, AS YOU PROVIDE LEADERSHIP FOR THE BOARD. I WILL  
4    BE TAKING PARTICULAR NOTE AND ATTENTION TO LEARNING ALL THAT  
5    CAN BE LEARNED ABOUT PRESIDING EFFECTIVELY. HAVING SAID THAT,  
6    I WANT TO REINFORCE THE COMMENTS THAT WERE OFFERED ABOUT MAYOR  
7    ANTONOVICH. I THINK HE DID AN EXEMPLARY JOB IN COOPERATING  
8    WITH ALL FOUR OF US AND FACILITATING OUR RESPECTIVE NEEDS AS  
9    WE SEEK TO REPRESENT OUR CONSTITUENTS. FOR THAT, I THINK THE  
10   YEAR HAS BEEN NOTEWORTHY, AND I'M PLEASED TO HAVE THE  
11   OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE AND WITNESS WHAT WILL BE, NO DOUBT,  
12   YOUR LAST OPPORTUNITY TO CHAIR THE BOARD AND WANT TO BE  
13   SUPPORTIVE IN WHATEVER WAYS I CAN AS YOU SEEK TO DO SO.

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15   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT, I CALL THE  
16   AGENDA. MADAM CLERK, SECRETARY.

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18   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
19   BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE  
20   COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM NO. 1-D. THAT ITEM IS  
21   BEFORE YOU.

22

23   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED  
24   BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE  
2 HOUSING AUTHORITY. ITEMS 1-H AND 2-H. ON ITEM NO. 1-H, THERE'S  
3 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND  
4 ALSO I NEED TO READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS  
5 A RECOMMENDATION TO INSTRUCT THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN A RESOLUTION  
6 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE TAX-EXEMPT BONDS BY THE  
7 HOUSING AUTHORITY IN AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED  
8 \$6,850,000 TO ASSIST SLAUSON STATION APARTMENTS, L.P. AGAIN,  
9 THAT ITEM IS BEING HELD BY A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. ON ITEM NO.  
10 2-H, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS THE  
11 RECOMMENDATION TO INSTRUCT THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN A RESOLUTION  
12 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF TAX-EXEMPT MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING  
13 MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS BY THE HOUSING AUTHORITY IN THE  
14 AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9 MILLION TO ASSIST SAN  
15 FERNANDO COMMUNITY HOUSING, L.P. AND THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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17 **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY ANTONOVICH.  
18 SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 5, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1  
21 THROUGH 6. ON ITEM NO. 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF  
22 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE  
23 YOU.

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED  
2    BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 7, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 7  
5    THROUGH 43. ON ITEMS NO. 7 THROUGH 9 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
6    MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THOSE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 13, 14  
7    AND 15, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM EITHER A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF  
8    THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THOSE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 16, SUPERVISOR  
9    KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 17, 18, 19,  
10    20, 22, 23, 24, 25 THOSE ITEMS ARE HELD BY EITHER A MEMBER OR  
11    MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. ON ITEM NO. 26, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC  
12    HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO  
13    DECEMBER 13, 2011. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST  
14    FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 29,  
15    ALTHOUGH THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA INDICATES THAT THE DIRECTOR  
16    OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE  
17    WEEK, IT'S THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER WHO WOULD LIKE TO  
18    CONTINUE IT ONE WEEK TO DECEMBER 13, 2011.

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20    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH ITEM IS THAT?

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22    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. 29.

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24    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 40, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
2 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 42,  
3 THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
4 THIS ITEM. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR  
5 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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7 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
8 ANTONOVICH. SECOND BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
9 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 26, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION,  
12 ITEMS 44 THROUGH 46, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLES IN FOR THE  
13 RECORD. ON ITEM NO. 44, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION  
14 AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE, TITLE 2 - ADMINISTRATION, TO EXTEND  
15 THE SUNSET DATE FOR THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, DEPARTMENT OF  
16 MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2016. ON THIS ITEM  
17 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON  
18 ITEM NO. 45, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING  
19 THE COUNTY CODE, TITLE 3, ADVISORY COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES,  
20 TO EXTEND THE SUNSET REVIEW DATE FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
21 CITIZENS ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION TO JULY 1, 2016.  
22 AGAIN, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
23 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 46, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR  
24 INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE, TITLE 3 ADVISORY  
25 COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES TO EXTEND THE SUNSET REVIEW DATE



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1 FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES TO APRIL  
2 1, 2015. AND AGAIN, THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE  
3 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS NO. 47  
4 THROUGH 49. ON ITEM NO. 47, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA,  
5 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
6 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO DECEMBER 20, 2011. AND ON THIS ITEM,  
7 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON  
8 ITEMS NO. 48 AND 49, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE  
9 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE CONTINUED  
10 TWO WEEKS TO DECEMBER 20, 2011. IF I COULD GET A MOTION TO  
11 APPROVE THE CONTINUANCES ON 48 AND 49?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, RIDLEY-THOMAS  
14 SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 28, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE  
17 AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE  
18 MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO.  
19 50-A, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
20 THIS ITEM. ITEM NO. 50-B IS BEFORE YOU.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY KNABE -- I'LL MOVE IT.  
23 SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 50-C, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND  
2 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE  
3 29, ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS FOR FURTHER  
4 DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS BY THIS BOARD. ON ITEM A-4, THERE'S A  
5 RECOMMENDATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. AND ON  
6 THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO  
7 HOLD IT. ON PAGE 31, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM NO.  
8 CS-1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
9 THIS ITEM. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD  
10 OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT  
11 NO. 1.

12

13 **ZEY YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE, BEFORE WE TURN IT OVER TO  
14 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, A SPECIAL PRESENTATION. IS COLONEL  
15 SMITH HERE? TOMORROW, DECEMBER 7, 2011, MARKS THE 70TH  
16 ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNPROVOKED SURPRISE ATTACK ON THE UNITED  
17 STATES' NAVAL BASE AT PEARL HARBOR BY THE IMPERIAL JAPANESE  
18 NAVY. THIS ATTACK, WHERE MORE THAN 2400 PEOPLE PERISHED AND  
19 ANOTHER 1100 WERE WOUNDED, INCLUDED CIVILIANS AS WELL AS  
20 MILITARY FORCES AND MARKED THE NATION'S ENTRY INTO WORLD WAR  
21 II. IT IS FITTING AND PROPER THAT A GRATEFUL NATION PAUSES TO  
22 OBSERVE NATIONAL PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY AS A SOMBER  
23 OCCASION, PAYING TRIBUTE TO A GENERATION OF HEROES WHO FOUGHT  
24 VICTORIOUSLY TO ENSURE AMERICA THE PRICELESS GIFTS OF FREEDOM  
25 AND PEACE. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS



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1 ANGELES HEREBY RECOGNIZES DECEMBER 7, 2011, AS NATIONAL PEARL  
2 HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY. IN ADDITION, ALL FLAGS THROUGHOUT THE  
3 COUNTY SHALL BE FLOWN AT HALF STAFF IN HONOR OF THOSE  
4 AMERICANS. COLONEL SMITH, ACCEPT THIS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD  
5 OF SUPERVISORS. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **JOSEPH SMITH:** I WISH TO EXTEND THE THANKS OF THE VETERANS AND  
8 THE FAMILIES OF THOSE WHO ARE STILL LIVING FROM THE EXPERIENCE  
9 AT PEARL HARBOR. ALTHOUGH 90 PERCENT OF THOSE VETERANS ARE  
10 GONE, MANY OF THEIR WIVES AND FAMILIES ARE STILL HERE AND THEY  
11 STILL SUFFER SOME OF THE CONSEQUENCES, AS DID OTHERS, OF THE  
12 WAR THAT FOLLOWED. AND IT IS APPROPRIATE THAT WE RECOGNIZE  
13 THESE HEROIC PEOPLE WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED SO MUCH TO OUR  
14 COUNTRY AND ALSO REMEMBER THE LESSON TAUGHT US BY PEARL  
15 HARBOR: THAT ONLY THE STRONG CAN REMAIN FREE. THANK YOU.  
16 [APPLAUSE.] OKAY.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S MY  
21 PRIVILEGE TO CALL UP GLORIA LOCKHART, PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF  
22 THE TOBERMAN NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER OF SAN PEDRO TO RECOGNIZE AN  
23 OUTSTANDING 38-YEAR CAREER OF SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY. SHE  
24 JOINED THE -- SHE'S JOINED TODAY BY HER TOBERMAN FAMILY,  
25 CHRISTY DAY, DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, BRAD GOODMAN, CONTROLLER,



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1 AND STEPHANIE HART, THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR. GLORIA JOINED THE  
2 TOBERMAN CENTER IN 2005 AND HAS TRULY BEEN AN AGENT OF CHANGE.  
3 SHE HAS HELPED TO ELEVATE THE QUALITY OF SERVICES AT TOBERMAN  
4 FOR THE PAST SIX YEARS TO BETTER SERVE THE DIVERSE NEEDS OF  
5 THE HARBOR AREA. TOGETHER WITH HER BOARD, STAFF AND COMMUNITY,  
6 TOBERMAN STRIVES EACH AND EVERY DAY TO ACHIEVE ITS MISSION TO  
7 ASSIST HARBOR AREA FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS BY DELIVERING  
8 LIFE-SUSTAINING SERVICES THAT ENCOURAGE, INFORM, EDUCATE AND  
9 EMPOWER THEM TO LIVE HEALTHY AND PURPOSEFUL LIVES. TOBERMAN  
10 RECEIVES OVER 18,000 ASSISTANCE REQUESTS PER YEAR. THE LOS  
11 ANGELES COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION PARTNERED WITH  
12 TOBERMAN TO LAUNCH AN INCREDIBLE PROGRAM CALLED GRACE, GANG  
13 REDUCTION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROJECT IN THE HARBOR  
14 GATEWAY AREA. SINCE ITS INCEPTION THREE YEARS AGO, THE PROJECT  
15 HAS SUCCESSIVELY AND SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED GANG VIOLENCE AND  
16 HAS HELPED TO KEEP PEACE BETWEEN RIVAL GANGS IN THE AREA. IN  
17 2008, GLORIA WAS AWARDED THE WOMAN OF THE YEAR BY THEN  
18 ASSEMBLY MEMBER BETTY KARNETTE. SHE HAS SERVED ON THE L.A.  
19 CITY HARBOR PLANNING AREA COMMISSION, SERVES ON THE SAN PEDRO  
20 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS EDUCATION AND ARTS COMMITTEE, THE  
21 BOARD OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS AT THE TERMINAL ISLAND  
22 CORRECTIONAL FACILITY AND THE COMMUNITY POLICE ADVISORY BOARD  
23 WITH THE L.A.P.D. HARBOR DIVISION. SHE HAS TRIUMPHED THROUGH  
24 MANY, MANY PERSONAL OBSTACLES AND HAS ACHIEVED GREAT SUCCESS  
25 FOR THE PAST 38 YEARS OF HER PROFESSIONAL CAREER. SHE IS ONE



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1 OF THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMEN TO REACH THE SUMMIT OF  
2 MOUNT KILIMANJARO, AND THE FIRST IN HER FAMILY TO GRADUATE  
3 FROM COLLEGE. SO IT'S MY HONOR TO PAY AND RECOGNIZE HER  
4 RETIREMENT TODAY, TO WISH HER GODSPEED AND GOOD HEALTH. AND WE  
5 WISH HER THE BEST AS SHE MOVES ON TO THE NEXT CHAPTER OF HER  
6 LIFE, LITERALLY. SHE WILL BE SPENDING MORE TIME TO PROMOTE HER  
7 MEMOIR, "UNMASKING, A WOMAN'S JOURNEY." SO GLORIA, WE THANK  
8 YOU FOR YOUR MANY YEARS OF SERVICE, WE WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY  
9 BEST AND LOOK FORWARD TO READING YOUR BOOK. CONGRATULATIONS.

10 [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **GLORIA LOCKHART:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. I AM SO HONORED  
13 AND HUMBLLED BY THIS COMMENDATION TODAY AND THIS EXPERIENCE.  
14 AND I HAVE HAD A GREAT -- IT'S BEEN JUST AN HONOR WORKING WITH  
15 YOU DURING MY LEADERSHIP AT TOBERMAN NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER, AN  
16 AGENCY THAT HELPS TO EMPOWER PEOPLE FOR A LIFETIME. AND THANK  
17 YOU SO MUCH FOR SEEING THE VISION TO FUND OUR GANG  
18 INTERVENTION PROGRAM IN THE HARBOR GATEWAY COMMUNITY. WE WILL  
19 FOREVER BE GRATEFUL TO YOU. THANK YOU SO MUCH. WE LOVE YOU.

20 [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
23 RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR PRESENTATIONS.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, I'M PLEASED  
2    TO SAY: CARE NOW. RIGHT NOW. AND THAT'S WHY WE HAVE DON  
3    MANELLI AND A WHOLE GROUP OF EXTRAORDINARY INDIVIDUALS,  
4    VOLUNTEERS AND ALL, WHO ARE HERE TO RECEIVE OUR COMMENDATION  
5    AND A TREMENDOUS THANK YOU FOR THE EXCEPTIONAL WORK THAT THEY  
6    HAVE DONE FOR THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND BEYOND. AND  
7    TO YET AGAIN DISTINGUISH THEMSELVES AS THOSE WITH VISION,  
8    THOSE WITH HEART, THOSE WITH THE KIND OF CAPACITY TO SERVE  
9    THAT IS NOTHING SHORT OF EXTRAORDINARY. LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY  
10   THAT CARENOW ENLISTED SOME 1104 VOLUNTEERS. THEY DELIVERED  
11   7279 TOTAL PATIENT ENCOUNTERS. THEY DISPENSED 1332 EYE GLASSES  
12   AND GAVE 1178 IMMUNIZATION SHOTS AND DONATED AN ESTIMATED \$2  
13   MILLION WORTH OF FREE CARE. AND THEY DID THAT IN A FOUR-DAY  
14   PERIOD OF TIME. AND I WISH TO SAY TO THEM: WE ARE PROFOUNDLY  
15   APPRECIATIVE. AND WE OUGHT TO GIVE THEM A HUGE ROUND OF  
16   APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] CARENOW BRINGS MUCH NEEDED RELIEF AS OUR  
17   STATE'S ECONOMY STRUGGLES AND MANY RESIDENTS LOSE THEIR  
18   PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE AND JOIN THE RANKS OF THE  
19   UNINSURED AND THE UNDERINSURED. I WANT TO SAY TO YOU THAT NOT  
20   ALL THE PEOPLE THAT I MENTIONED ARE NECESSARILY THOSE WHO ARE  
21   UNEMPLOYED. A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF THEM ARE INDIVIDUALS WHO  
22   ARE, IN FACT, EMPLOYED BUT DO NOT HAVE ADEQUATE HEALTHCARE  
23   COVERAGE. DON MANELLI, ALONG WITH A DEDICATED TEAM OF  
24   VOLUNTEERS, ONCE AGAIN MADE HIS MARK. YOU ALL KNOW THAT THIS  
25   HAPPENED THROUGH OCTOBER THE 20TH, THROUGH THE 23RD AT THE LOS





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1 ANGELES SPORTS ARENA. IT WAS TRANSFORMED. RIGHT NOW THERE'S A  
2 TEAM CALLED THE BRUINS WHO ARE OCCUPYING THAT SPACE, TRYING TO  
3 DO WHAT THEY CAN DO IN TERMS OF THEIR BASKETBALL EFFORTS. WE  
4 SAY THAT IN DEFERENCE TO THE NEW CHAIR OF THE BOARD.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE GETTING CLOSE TO BEING  
7 CALLED OUT OF ORDER.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. I WAS ABOUT TO BE RULED OUT OF  
10 ORDER. BUT NOTHING LIKE LEVITY TODAY. BUT I CAN TELL YOU AFTER  
11 THAT, OR BEFORE THAT, THE WHOLE ENVIRONMENT WAS REDEEMED BY  
12 VIRTUE OF THE FACT THAT CARENOW WAS THERE TO OCCUPY IT. AND SO  
13 THAT'S ALL YOU GET OUT OF THIS, ZEV. THE SIGNIFICANT THING IS  
14 THAT THIS ORGANIZATION AND THESE VOLUNTEERS HAVE EMBRACED A  
15 SPIRIT OF VOLUNTEERISM THAT IS NOT ONLY CATALYTIC BUT INDEED  
16 TRANSFORMATIVE. AND SO I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE DON MANELLI, WHO  
17 IS A LEADER AMONG LEADERS BECAUSE HE JUST KNOWS HOW TO MAKE IT  
18 HAPPEN. THAT MEGA CLINIC, THAT FREE CLINIC ON STEROIDS, AS I  
19 DESCRIBE IT, MADE JUST EXTRAORDINARY THINGS HAPPEN, AND IT DID  
20 IT WITH THE KIND OF CARE AND QUALITY OF SERVICES THAT CAUGHT  
21 THE ATTENTION INDEED OF THE NATION. DON WILL MAKE REFERENCE TO  
22 A SPECIAL GUEST, A PHYSICIAN WHO WAS THERE, DR. OZ AND THE  
23 EXTRA ORDINARY STORIES THAT HE TOLD, OF THOSE WHO HAD HEART  
24 PROBLEMS, THOSE WHO WERE DEALING WITH UNUSUALLY GRAPHIC  
25 DEPICTIONS OF BREAST CANCER. AND SO, DON, WE THANK YOU FOR



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1 YOUR ORGANIZING ABILITIES. WE THANK YOU FOR BEING THE PRODUCER  
2 OF THIS EVENT. WE ACKNOWLEDGE ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE COMING UP  
3 TO THIS EVENT, THE FACT THAT WE'VE DONE IT THREE YEARS BEFORE.  
4 AND THIS IS THE BEST. AND WE ARE LOOKING TO YEAR FIVE TO EVEN  
5 IMPROVE IT. AND SO FOR ALL THE VOLUNTEERS, DEBRA BOUDREAUX,  
6 AND TO THOSE WHO REPRESENT THE TZU CHI FOUNDATION, WE THANK  
7 YOU FOR YOUR JUST EXCEPTIONAL DISPLAY OF COMPASSION AS YOU  
8 PROVIDED SERVICES. ALL OF THE EVENT COORDINATORS, ALL THE  
9 PUBLIC RELATIONS, ALL THE VENDORS AND VOLUNTEERS, I HAVE A  
10 LIST OF NAMES HERE LONGER THAN THE ENTIRETY OF THE BOARD  
11 MEETING ITSELF WILL BE. WE THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH. SO, DON,  
12 I WANT TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION TO YOU AND SAY TO YOU THANK  
13 YOU PROFOUNDLY ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY VIEW  
14 IS CARE NOW, RIGHT NOW. DON MANELLI, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.  
15 [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **DONALD MANELLI:** THANK YOU. I SHOULD TELL YOU WE'RE NOT ALL  
18 GOING TO MAKE ACCEPTANCE SPEECHES, THERE'S A LOT OF US HERE.  
19 SO I'LL SPEAK FOR ALL OF THEM. AS THE SUPERVISOR SAID, IT WAS  
20 A TERRIFIC EVENT. WE SAW ALMOST 4,000 PATIENTS IN FOUR DAYS.  
21 BUT I THINK WHAT WE'RE ALL PROUDEST OF IS THE NEW GROUND THAT  
22 WE BROKE AT THIS EVENT. WE, FOR THE FIRST TIME, WERE PROVIDING  
23 SUSTAINABLE CARE. OUR GOAL WAS THAT THE PEOPLE WHO WERE IN  
24 LINE FOR THE EVENT THIS YEAR WOULD NOT HAVE TO BE IN LINE  
25 AGAIN NEXT YEAR. AND WE DID THAT IN TWO WAYS. ONE, THANKS TO



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1 NINA VACCARO, WHO IS HERE AND THE SOUTH SIDE COALITION, AND A  
2 LOT OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, U.C.L.A., TZU CHI, WE WERE ABLE TO  
3 PROVIDE FOLLOW-UP CARE TO THE PATIENTS WHO NEEDED IT. OF THE  
4 4000 THAT WE SAW, ABOUT 1000 WERE PLACED IN MEDICAL HOME, SO  
5 THEIR CARE WILL CONTINUE AFTER THEIR EVENT. SO WE'RE MAKING AN  
6 ENDURING IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY, ON THE HEALTH OF THIS  
7 COMMUNITY. WE ALSO DID A BIG PREVENTION COMPONENT. DR.  
8 FIELDMAN INTRODUCED A PREVENTIVE DENTISTRY SECTION WHERE  
9 PEOPLE WERE TAUGHT TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR TEETH. OF ALMOST ALL  
10 THE DENTAL PATIENTS WE SEE, AND WE SEE THOUSANDS, HAVE  
11 PREVENTABLE ILLNESS.

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHERE IS DR. FIELDMAN? COME ON OVER HERE  
14 DR. FIELDMAN. GIVE HIM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

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16 **DONALD MANELLI:** ROGER IS A MAJOR PART OF THESE EVENTS. THE  
17 BIGGEST NEED WE HAVE IS DENTAL. ROGER RUNS THE DENTAL SECTION.  
18 EVERY YEAR IT'S BETTER THAN THE LAST YEAR. IT WAS A VERY  
19 MOVING EXPERIENCE FOR ALL OF US. AND FOR ME PERSONALLY BECAUSE  
20 I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH ALL THE PEOPLE YOU SEE  
21 STANDING BEHIND ME. THIS IS AN EXCEPTIONAL TEAM OF PEOPLE. AND  
22 THERE'S TOO MANY HERE TO THANK INDIVIDUALLY SO I WON'T TRY.  
23 BUT I DO WANT TO MENTION TWO. ONE IS THE TZU CHI MEDICAL  
24 FOUNDATION. [APPLAUSE.] DEBRA BOUDREAUX HAS BEEN PART OF EVERY  
25 CLINIC WE'VE DONE. THEY ARE THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND THIS.



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1 THEY PROVIDE DENTAL EQUIPMENT, MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, VOLUNTEERS.  
2 THEY FEED US. AND MORE THAN ANYTHING, THEY GIVE US THE SPIRIT  
3 THAT IMBUES THIS WHOLE EVENT. THEY'RE A WONDERFUL  
4 ORGANIZATION. IT'S A MYSTERY TO ME WHY THEY'RE NOT WORLD  
5 FAMOUS. AND THEY THINK THAT EVERYBODY HERE SHOULD GOOGLE TZU  
6 CHI, T-Z-U C-H-I AND FIND OUT ABOUT THEM. IT'S AN AMAZING,  
7 AMAZING STORY. THE OTHER PERSON I WANT TO THANK AND SHE'S  
8 GOING TO BE VERY ANGRY WITH ME, IS BROOKS MCEWEN. [APPLAUSE.]  
9 BROOKS IS THE ENGINE THAT DRIVES THIS TRAIN. SHE STARTED  
10 WORKING ON THIS BACK IN JANUARY. SHE'S STILL WORKING ON IT. I  
11 THINK SHE'S STILL DELIVERING EYEGLASSES. AND WE COULDN'T DO IT  
12 WITHOUT HER. WHEN WANTED TO KNOW WHAT WAS HAPPENING AND WHY IT  
13 WAS HAPPENING, YOU WENT AND TALKED TO BROOKS. SO THANK YOU,  
14 BROOKS, FROM ALL OF US.

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16 **BROOKS MCEWEN:** THANK YOU, DON.

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18 **DONALD MANELLI:** AND LASTLY I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISOR. HIS  
19 LEADERSHIP, HIS GUIDANCE, HIS COMMITMENT TO ACCESSIBLE  
20 HEALTHCARE FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED IT IS REALLY WHAT HAS BEEN AN  
21 INSPIRATION TO US. HE AND HIS EXCEPTIONAL STAFF, YOLANDA VERA,  
22 SALIA. IT'S HARD TO KNOW WHERE THEIR TEAM ENDS AND OUR TEAM  
23 BEGINS. IT'S BEEN A REAL COLLABORATIVE EFFORT. SO, SUPERVISOR,  
24 ON BEHALF OF ALL THE PATIENTS WE SAW, ON BEHALF OF OUR



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1 VOLUNTEERS AND ALL OF US, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR HELP.

2 [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DON. WE TAKE NOTE OF  
5 THE FACT THAT TZU CHI IS IN THE HOUSE. AND WE WANT TO SAY A  
6 SPECIAL THANKS. AND THEN WE WANT TO EMBARRASS BROOKS MCEWEN  
7 AGAIN. BROOKS, COME ON UP HERE AND TAKE A BOW. WE YOU DID GOOD  
8 WORK AND WE ACKNOWLEDGE AND RESPECT YOU FOR IT. [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **BROOKS MCEWEN:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DR. FIELDMAN, ROGER? I NEED A LITTLE  
13 DENTAL WORK, COME ON OVER HERE, ROGER. GIVE HIM A BIG ROUND  
14 MUCH APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] AND MANY OF YOU REMEMBER HER FOR  
15 HER WORK IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. WE WANT TO CALL  
16 FORTH CAROL MEYER. CAROL, THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DID TO  
17 MAKE THINGS SMOOTHER FOR CARENOW 2011. [APPLAUSE.] WHERE IS  
18 KAREN? KAREN? GOOD, CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH  
19 FOR YOUR WORK AND YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS. EXCEPTIONAL, AND WE TAKE  
20 NOTE OF THAT. WE'RE GOING TO ASK JANE IF SHE WILL COME FORWARD  
21 NOW. JANE? THANK YOU. JACQUELINE? WHERE'S JACQUELINE? THANK  
22 YOU. LINDSAY? THANK YOU. ASHLEY? THANK YOU. AND CHRISTY? DONDE  
23 ESTA CHRISTY? THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF  
24 APPLAUSE, WOULD YOU? NOW, THERE ARE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS WHO  
25 WHO CAME FORWARD TO MOVE THIS AGENDA. I JUST WANT TO TAKE A





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1   MOMENT. IS P.J. HERE? P.J., I THINK I SAW YOU? GARY GLASSBAN,  
2   AND THEN JOHN NISHIMOTO AND MICHELLE WYKOVICH AND DR. MARK  
3   NACANO, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LOS ANGELES SPORTS ARENA, THE  
4   SOUTHSIDE COALITION, WESTMED, MCCORMICK, RICHARD TODEO. YOU  
5   KNOW, A LOT OF WORK WENT ON TO SERVE A LOT OF PEOPLE. AND I  
6   KEEP SAYING THAT THEY DESERVE ACKNOWLEDGMENT. I'M CALLING THEM  
7   BY NAME FOR A REASON. YOU CANNOT IMAGINE HOW MUCH WORK WENT IN  
8   TO MAKING THIS HAPPEN. AND IT HAPPENED IN A VIRTUALLY SEAMLESS  
9   MANNER. WOULD YOU GIVE THEM ALL A HUGE ROUND OF APPLAUSE YET  
10  AGAIN? [APPLAUSE.] THEY PROVIDED QUALITY MEDICAL SERVICES. SO  
11  P.J. WILL TAKE HER BOW. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT IS AN HONOR,  
12  PJ AND I KNOW EACH OTHER FROM EARLIER WHEN WE WERE AT A LOCAL  
13  SCHOOL CALLED IMMACULATE HEART WHEN I TAUGHT HIGH SCHOOL. HOW  
14  ABOUT THAT? SHE WAS A STUDENT OF MINE. DON'T TELL ANYBODY.  
15  [LAUGHTER.] DR. GLASSMAN? RIGHT BEHIND ME. THANK YOU. DON  
16  NISHIMOTO? DON? MICHELLE WYKOVICH? DR. NOCANO? THANK YOU, SIR.  
17  LINDA HABASH? LOS ANGELES SPORTS ARENA. AND THE SOUTH SIDE  
18  COALITION OF COMMUNITY CLINICS IS IN THE HOUSE. GIVE THEM A  
19  SPECIAL ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] MCCORMICK AMBULANCE  
20  SERVICES? MCCORMICK? AND MIKE HENDERSON. MIKE? SPECIAL ROUND  
21  OF APPLAUSE FOR ALL OF THOSE PROVIDERS IN THIS EFFORT. THANK  
22  YOU VERY MUCH. AND THEN OUR OWN COUNTY DEPARTMENTS STEPPED UP.  
23  PUBLIC HEALTH DID AN EXCEPTIONAL JOB. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE  
24  THAT WE ACKNOWLEDGE THEM. DR. JONATHAN FIELDING AND PROFESSOR  
25  JONATHAN FREEDMAN, BOTH DID GOOD, GOOD WORK. AND THEN WE WANT



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1 TO MAKE NOTE OF DR. MITCH KUSHNER AND HIS WORK. WE WANT TO  
2 TAKE NOTE OF THE WORK OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAY TO THEM, WE  
3 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. DR. FIELDING? THANK YOU. WE APPRECIATE  
4 IT. PROFESSOR FREEDMAN?

5

6 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I WANT TO THANK ALL THE VOLUNTEERS FOR  
7 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, THERE WERE ABOUT 90 OF THEM.  
8 AND THEY WERE FROM COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES, DIVISIONS OF  
9 H.I.V. AND S.T.D. PROGRAMS, EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS,  
10 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, HEALTH EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION,  
11 NUTRITION, TOBACCO CONTROL AND PREVENTION. AND THE OFFICE OF  
12 WOMEN'S HEALTH. PLEASE STAND UP SO EVERYBODY KNOWS WHO YOU  
13 ARE. [APPLAUSE.] WE DELIVERED ABOUT ALMOST 2000 ADULT  
14 IMMUNIZATIONS, ALMOST 1000 RAPID H.I.V. TESTS. 1000 BOXES OF  
15 NICOTINE REPLACEMENT PATCHES FOR SMOKING CESSATION, 2000  
16 PERSONAL CARE AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS KITS, AND STAFF  
17 EDUCATED ATTENDEES ON FOOD-BORNE ILLNESS, IMPROVED NUTRITION,  
18 BED BUGS, EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, AND OTHER PUBLIC HEALTH  
19 TOPICS. SPECIAL THANKS TO YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR YOUR  
20 LEADERSHIP. AND THIS IS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO  
21 CONTRIBUTE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH. I MEAN  
24 PUBLIC HEALTH DID AN EXTRAORDINARY JOB. I SAW THEM WITH  
25 REGULARITY. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT PUBLIC HEALTH IS IN THE



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1 HOUSE AND EVERYBODY KNEW IT. GIVE THEM ANOTHER BIG, BIG ROUND  
2 OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] DON'T MESS WITH PUBLIC HEALTH. THEY  
3 KNOW HOW TO SHOW UP AND SHOW OUT. THEY DID THEIR THING THERE.  
4 I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY IMMUNIZATIONS THEY GAVE ME AND HOW MANY  
5 TIMES THEY WANTED TO TEST ME FOR THINGS THAT I DO NOT HAVE.  
6 [LAUGHTER.] THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH IS HERE. AND THEY  
7 HELPED BIG TIME WITH CARE NOW RIGHT NOW. AND SO WE WANT TO ASK  
8 DR. MARV SOUTHARD IF HE WOULD COME FORTH ON BEHALF OF THE  
9 DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS SANDRA THOMAS, WHO IS THE DISTRICT CHIEF  
10 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. GIVE THEM BOTH A BIG  
11 ROUND OF APPLAUSE BECAUSE MENTAL HEALTH IS IMPORTANT IN OUR  
12 EFFORT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE  
13 PEOPLE OF L.A. COUNTY. MARV, SANDRA? AND FINALLY, I BELIEVE,  
14 WE WISH TO THANK THOSE WHO REPRESENT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
15 SERVICES, DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF, FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT.  
16 AS WELL AS WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO KATHY CHIDISTER FOR THE  
17 WORK IN TERMS OF THE DEPARTMENT THAT SHE REPRESENTS, THE  
18 DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES. THESE ARE ALL VERY,  
19 VERY IMPORTANT COMPONENTS IN THE EFFORT TO MAKE A PROJECT LIKE  
20 THIS HAPPEN. THIS REALLY IS AN EXTRAORDINARY AMOUNT OF TIME.  
21 IT'S A PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP SIGNIFICANTLY VOLUNTARY IN  
22 NATURE. AND SO TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, WE SAY TO  
23 YOU WE COULD NOT HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU AND WE ARE  
24 PROFOUNDLY APPRECIATIVE FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION.

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1 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SUPERVISOR, THE PEOPLE WHO REALLY DID ALL  
2 THE WORK IN THE DEPARTMENT ARE STILL DOING IT, SO THAT I'M  
3 HAPPY TO ACCEPT THIS ON BEHALF OF THEM.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ALL RIGHT, LADIES AND  
6 GENTLEMEN, THANK YOU VERY KINDLY. THAT CONCLUDES THE  
7 PRESENTATION ON CARENOW. I KNOW THAT IT WAS INVOLVED, BUT IF  
8 YOU COME AND TOUR THAT SPORTS ARENA, YOU WILL HAVE A FULL  
9 ENOUGH APPRECIATION FOR WHAT IT ENTAILS AND HOW MEANINGFUL IT  
10 IS TO THE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE BLESSED BY THE PROVISION OF  
11 THESE SERVICES. SO THANK YOU VERY KINDLY. I WILL NOW MOVE TO  
12 THE NEXT ROUND OF PRESENTATIONS. AND SUPERVISOR KNABE? THEN WE  
13 WILL INVITE THE INIMITABLE, HONORABLE MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH OF  
14 THE FIFTH DISTRICT TO MAKE HIS PRESENTATIONS. SIR?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. WELL AT THIS TIME, IT'S THAT TIME  
17 OF YEAR WHERE WE HAVE THE 94TH ROSE QUEEN, TOURNAMENT OF ROSES  
18 ROSE QUEEN WITH US. AS I SAID EARLIER, IT DOESN'T SEEM AS IF  
19 WE'VE HAD 12 MONTHS SINCE THE PREVIOUS ROSE QUEEN WAS HERE.  
20 BUT WE HAVE DREW HELEN WASHINGTON AND THE 2012 ROYAL COURT  
21 WITH US. VICE PRESIDENT SALLY BIXBY IS REPRESENTING PRESIDENT  
22 RICHARD JACKSON WHO ISN'T WITH US THIS MORNING, AND SALLY IS  
23 RETIRED FROM THE CITY OF HOPE. SHE'S HOPE SURGICAL SERVICES.  
24 AND THIS WILL BE THE 123RD PARADE THEME, "JUST IMAGINE". THIS  
25 THEME IS OF THE CREATIVITY FOUND IN A CHILD'S IMAGINATION OR



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1 THE THEME THAT CAN BE BEST EXPRESSED AS THE AVAILABLE HOPE  
2 AND DREAMS OF ADULthood, THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND INNOVATIONS  
3 OF BUSINESS AND A WORLD VISION FOR AN OPTIMISTIC FUTURE. THE  
4 THEME CELEBRATES A NEW YEAR OF OPPORTUNITY, UNDERSCORES THE  
5 BRILLIANT IMAGINING OF OUR PAST, AND INSPIRES US TO REACH  
6 HIGHER AS WE BELIEVE IN OUR DREAMS AND ACHIEVE OUR GOALS. SO  
7 FIRST LET ME INTRODUCE THE -- LET ME JUST STATE THAT THE  
8 PARADE THIS YEAR IS JANUARY 2, BECAUSE JANUARY 1ST IS ON  
9 SUNDAY. SO IT'S JANUARY 2 AT 8 A.M. AND WILL FEATURE THE  
10 MAJESTIC FLORAL FLOATS. AND IT'S ONE I'VE BEEN INVOLVED WITH  
11 THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES AS A WHITE SUITER. AND IT'S ONE OF THE  
12 MOST EXCITING TIMES OF THE YEAR WHERE PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE  
13 WORLD COME TO PASADENA. PASADENA IS ONE OF THE GREAT CITIES.  
14 AND THE HOSPITALITY THAT THE PEOPLE OF PASADENA PUT OUT FOR  
15 THE WORLD IS SECOND TO NONE. THIS YEAR WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THE  
16 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN BADGERS AND THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON  
17 DUCKS AND THE GRAND DADDY OF THEM ALL IN THE ROSE BOWL. SO FOR  
18 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE, YOU  
19 CAN VISIT THEIR OFFICIAL WEBSITE AT [WWW.TOURNAMENTOFROSES.COM](http://WWW.TOURNAMENTOFROSES.COM).  
20 OUR ROSE QUEEN THIS YEAR AS I SAID, DREW HELEN WASHINGTON, A  
21 RESIDENT OF PASADENA. SHE ATTENDS FLINTRIDGE SACRED HEART  
22 ACADEMY, WHERE SHE IS A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY,  
23 THE CALIFORNIA SCHOLARSHIPS FEDERATION, THE HONORS MATH CLUB,  
24 AND MU ALPHA THETA. SHE SERVES AS CAPTAIN OF THE VARSITY  
25 VOLLEYBALL AND TRACK AND FIELD TEAM AND HAS COACHED SUMMER



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1 VOLLEYBALL. ROSE PRINCESS HANAN BULTO WORKU IS A RESIDENT OF  
2 PASADENA ATTENDING PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL WHERE SHE IS A  
3 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBER, CO-CAPTAIN OF THE VARSITY  
4 TENNIS TEAM, ACTIVE IN A.S.B., THE SCHOOL'S NEWSPAPER, MUSICAL  
5 PRODUCTIONS AND THE SCIENCE CLUB. SHE'S A ROTARY CLUB YOUTH  
6 LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT AND ACTIVE IN GIRL SCOUTS AND A  
7 HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER. HER FATHER WORKS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
8 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. AND ALSO A BRIGHT SCHOLAR, DR. SANDRA  
9 THOMAS. PRINCESS STEPHANIE GRACE HYNES IS AN 18-YEAR-OLD  
10 RESIDENT OF PASADENA. SHE ATTENDS MARANATHA HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE  
11 SHE IS INVOLVED WITH THE VARSITY CHEER SQUAD, DANCE TEAM AND  
12 INTERSCHOLASTIC EQUESTRIAN LEAGUE. OFF CAMPUS SHE HAS BEEN A  
13 MEMBER OF THE BLUE SHADOWS EQUESTRIAN DRILL TEAM FOR 8 YEARS.  
14 SHE SPENT HER SUMMER IN NEW ORLEANS FOR THE ST. BERNARD  
15 PROJECT TO REBUILD THOSE HOUSES DESTROYED BY THE KATRINA  
16 HURRICANE. SHE ALSO SINGS IN THE CHURCH CHOIR AND ACTIVE IN  
17 HER CHURCH YOUTH GROUP. PRINCESS CYNTHIA MEGAN LOUIE, 17, A  
18 RESIDENT OF LA CANADA, ATTENDS LA SALLE HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE SHE  
19 SERVES AS A STUDENT AMBASSADOR, MEMBER OF THE STUDENT LIFE  
20 RALLY TEAM AND GIVES TOURS AS A 700 VOLUNTEER. SHE PLAYS  
21 TENNIS AND HAS A PASSION FOR THE ARTS AND CREATES COSTUMES AND  
22 DESIGNS BACKPACKS. PRINCESS MORGAN ELIZA DEVAUD IS AN 18-YEAR-  
23 OLD RESIDENT OF LA CANADA. SHE SERVES THERE AS THE CITY'S  
24 PRINCESS. SHE CURRENTLY ATTENDS LA CANADA HIGH SCHOOL AFTER  
25 HAVING STUDIED ABROAD IN A FRENCH EMERSON PROGRAM IN





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1 SWITZERLAND IN PURSUIT OF A CAREER IN JOURNALISM BROADCASTING.  
2 AND PRINCESS KIMBERLY VICTORIA OSTILLER IS 17 AND A RESIDENT  
3 OF ALTA DENA, ATTENDS FLINTRIDGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL, SERVES AS  
4 STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT, MEMBER OF THE LEO CLUB, A PEER  
5 COUNSELOR AND VARSITY CHEERLEADER. THIS SUMMER SHE  
6 PARTICIPATED IN THE INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY  
7 SERVICE PROGRAM FOR THREE WEEKS IN TANZANIA. OFF CAMPUS SHE'S  
8 INVOLVED IN THE PASADENA CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL CHARITY  
9 LEAGUE. AND PRINCESS SARAH NICOLE ZUNO IS 17, RESIDENT OF LOS  
10 ANGELES. ATTENDS BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL. A STUDENT  
11 MENTOR AND GLEE CLUB CO-PRESIDENT AND ON THE VARSITY  
12 BASKETBALL AND SOFTBALL TEAMS.

13

14 **MIKE ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN LET ME CALL UP FIRST SALLY AND THEN  
15 WE'LL CALL UP OUR QUEEN.

16

17 **SALLY BIXBY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ON BEHALF OF TOURNAMENT OF  
18 ROSES, WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE RECOGNITION FOR THE EFFORTS  
19 THAT WE MAKE EVERY YEAR. IT IS THE BEST PARADE AND THE  
20 GREATEST GAME, AS HE SAID, THE GRAND DADDY OF THEM ALL, ON  
21 THIS YEAR, JANUARY 2ND. WE'LL HAVE 43 FLOATS, 21 BANDS AND 20  
22 EQUESTRIAN UNITS IN THE PARADE THIS YEAR. THANK YOU AGAIN SO  
23 MUCH.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE 2012 QUEEN, QUEEN WASHINGTON.



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2 **DREW HELEN WASHINGTON:** HELLO. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS  
3 RECOGNITION. AS BEING A PART OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES ROYAL  
4 COURT, WE ARE ABLE TO GO ON LOTS OF COMMUNITY EVENTS. AND IT  
5 IS TRULY EVENTS LIKE THIS THAT REALLY MAKE US TRULY HONORED  
6 AND BLESSED TO BE ON THIS YEAR'S ROYAL COURT. SO AGAIN THANK  
7 YOU VERY, VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW LET ME BRING UP GARY DIMKICK, WHO IS  
10 BEING RECOGNIZED. HE WAS MY APPOINTEE TO THE LOS ANGELES  
11 COUNTY BEACH COMMISSION FROM MARCH 2002 TO 2011. HE'S A  
12 RESIDENT OF ARCADIA, GRADUATE OF CAL STATE LOS ANGELES, ALSO  
13 PASADENA'S POLICE DEPARTMENT ACADEMY, WHERE I ALSO ATTENDED,  
14 AND A MANAGER FOR THE OVER 35 YEARS AT DAMON'S RESTAURANT IN  
15 BURBANK. HE'S NOW ON THE BOARD FOR THE O.C.P. PASADENA  
16 MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE CLIMB  
17 SIERRA MADRE, AND ON THE POLICE REVISION BOARD FOR THE  
18 PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND HE ALSO HAS HIS GRANDCHILDREN  
19 WITH HIM TODAY. SO WELCOME, CONGRATULATIONS. DID A GOOD JOB?  
20 COOL. ANOTHER CAL STATE L.A.

21

22 **GARY DIMKICK:** THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. IT'S BEEN AN HONOR AND A  
23 PLEASURE TO SERVE SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THE COUNTY OF LOS  
24 ANGELES. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE LITTLE MADDY, IT'S A DOXIE MIX,  
2   ALTERED FEMALE. SHE'S SEVEN MONTHS OLD. MAYBE A MONTH OLDER OR  
3   SO. SHE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. AND YOU CAN CALL 562-728-1644.  
4   AND I HAVE THREE OF THESE AT HOME, ONE RED, TWO RED AND ONE  
5   BLACK. SAY HI. ANYBODY LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE MADDY FOR THE  
6   HOLIDAYS AND ALL YEAR?

7

8   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH,  
9   SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THAT CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATIONS FOR  
10   THE DAY. WE WILL NOW HAVE ADJOURNING MOTIONS. I BEGIN WITH  
11   SUPERVISOR KNABE.

12

13   **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, SIR. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO ADJOURN IN  
14   MEMORY OF A GOOD FRIEND, MR. SHAUN LUMACHI, A RESIDENT OF  
15   BELMONT SHORE, COFOUNDER OF A LOCAL NEWS WEBSITE CALLED THE  
16   LONG BEACH POST, A CLOSE FAMILY FRIEND OF OURS AND MY FOURTH  
17   DISTRICT STAFF, AS WELL AS THE YOUNG MAN THAT CREATED MOST OF  
18   MY WEBSITES. HE'S BEEN VERY INVOLVED OVER THE YEARS, JUST A  
19   BRILLIANT YOUNG GUY. HE PASSED AWAY TRAGICALLY THIS PAST  
20   WEEKEND IN A CAR ACCIDENT IN FLORIDA AT THE AGE OF 33. HE IS A  
21   NATIVE SON OF HERCULES, A SUBURB NORTH OF OF OAKLAND. HE WAS  
22   HEAVILY INVOLVED AS A STUDENT AT SACRAMENTO STATE. UPON MOVING  
23   TO LONG BEACH, SHAUN WORKED FOR THE LONG BEACH AREA CHAMBER OF  
24   COMMERCE BEFORE STARTING HIS OWN CONSULTING BUSINESS A NUMBER  
25   OF YEARS AGO. AND ALONG WITH CURRENT LONG BEACH COUNCILMAN



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1 ROBERT GARCIA, COFOUNDED THE LONG BEACH POST IN 2007. SHAUN  
2 WAS CHAIRMAN OF THE LONG BEACH PACIFIC GATEWAY WORKFORCE  
3 INVESTMENT BOARD, OF WHICH HE WAS THERE IN FLORIDA FOR A  
4 CONFERENCE WHEN THIS ACCIDENT HAPPENED. SERVED ON THE BOARDS  
5 OF SEVERAL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING THE ARTS COUNCIL  
6 OF LONG BEACH, U.S. VETS LONG BEACH, LONG BEACH SYMPHONY  
7 ORCHESTRA, LONG BEACH EDUCATION FOUNDATION, LONG BEACH CITY  
8 COLLEGE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNITY HOSPITAL LONG  
9 BEACH, CENTRAL CHA, AND CHILDREN TODAY. SHAUN WAS TRULY A  
10 RISING STAR IN LONG BEACH, DEEPLY INVOLVED AND DEVOTED TO HIS  
11 COMMUNITY. HE WAS A GREAT SUPPORTER OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT AND  
12 THIS GREAT COUNTY AND A DEAR FRIEND, AS I SAID, TO MY FAMILY  
13 AND STAFF. HE WAS AN INNOVATIVE, CARING, AND PASSIONATE YOUNG  
14 MAN. AND HE WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY ALL OF US. HE IS SURVIVED  
15 BY HIS BELOVED WIFE OF ONLY 2-1/2 YEARS DESIREE, HIS PARENTS  
16 AND FAMILY MEMBERS, COUNTLESS OTHERS WHOSE LIVES HE TOUCHED IN  
17 LONG BEACH AND WAY BEYOND. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH  
18 DESIREE AS WELL AS HIS PARENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS AS THEY GO  
19 THROUGH THIS MOST DIFFICULT, SHOCKING AND TRAGIC TIME. ALSO  
20 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. BYRON SCHWEIGERT, A LONGTIME  
21 C.E.O. OF THE LONG BEACH MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, WHO PASSED  
22 AWAY ON DECEMBER 5. HE WAS A VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE LONG  
23 BEACH COMMUNITY AND SERVED AS THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF  
24 DIRECTORS OF LONG BEACH AREA CHAMBER. HE WAS HIGHLY RESPECTED  
25 BY HIS COLLEAGUES AND JUST A GREAT FRIEND. HE IS SURVIVED BY



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1 HIS WIFE, KATHY; DAUGHTERS TRACY AND ROBIN. AND WE EXTEND OUR  
2 DEEPEST AND MOST SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO DR. SCHWEIGERT'S  
3 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. AND AGAIN, WILL BE MISSED BY ALL OF US WHO  
4 KNEW HIM SO WELL. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ISAAC ANDREWS.  
5 HE WAS AN ENGINEER, SELF-TAUGHT HISTORIAN, VISUAL PAINTER,  
6 CHIEF FASHION DESIGNER, CALYPSO SINGER, HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS  
7 THREE SIBLINGS, LAWRENCE ANDREWS, LOVINA CHAPMAN AND LIZZY  
8 JONES; SIX CHILDREN; SIXTEEN GRANDCHILDREN AND SEVEN GREAT  
9 GRANDCHILDREN. MR. ANDREWS IS MOST REMEMBERED AS SOMEONE WHO  
10 LOVED AND LIVED INTENSELY. HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY THOSE  
11 IN HIS MEMORY. SO OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH HIM AND  
12 HIS FAMILY, AS WELL. AND FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY --  
13 AND THIS WOULD BE ALL MEMBERS -- OF MARY JEAN COOLEY, MOTHER  
14 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY STEVE COOLEY, WHO  
15 PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 89. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER  
16 FIVE CHILDREN, FRANK, STEVE, JAN, KATHY AND JULIE; 13  
17 GRANDCHILDREN; AND NINE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE ARE MY  
18 ADJOURNMENTS, MR. CHAIR.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU, MR. KNABE. MOVED  
21 AND SECONDED, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER WITH RESPECT TO  
22 SUPERVISOR KNABE'S ADJOURNING MOTIONS. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM  
23 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR HIS AN ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WANT TO ALSO ADJOURN IN  
2    MEMORY OF STEVEN COOLEY'S MOM, MARY, WHO PASSED AWAY ON THE  
3    27TH OF NOVEMBER. SHE WAS THE ELDEST, AS DON MENTIONED, OF  
4    FIVE CHILDREN. AFTER HER FATHER DIED SUDDENLY WHEN SHE WAS 12  
5    INSTEAD OF ATTENDING COLLEGE SHE PERFORMED SECRETARIAL AND  
6    BOOKKEEPING SERVICES TO PAY THE TUITION FOR HER THREE YOUNGER  
7    BROTHERS, ALL OF WHOM SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MILITARY  
8    DURING WORLD WAR II, KOREA AND THE VIETNAM WAR. I'D LIKE TO  
9    MOVE WE ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SHIRLEY DORNAN. IT WAS JUST  
10   ABOUT SIX WEEKS AGO WE ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF HER HUSBAND, DON  
11   DORNAN, WHO HAD PASSED AWAY. SHIRLEY WAS DON'S WONDERFUL WIFE  
12   AND MOTHER OF CHILDREN. A REAL KEY PERSON. DON WAS ONE OF THE  
13   ACCLAIMED PHOTOGRAPHERS WINNING MANY NATIONAL AWARDS, ALSO  
14   INVOLVED IN POLITICAL MEDIA, MY MEDIA. JUST A GOOD CITIZEN. HE  
15   WAS THE NEPHEW OF ALEX HALEY, THE TINMAN FROM THE WIZARD OF  
16   OZ. BUT IT'S SAD, BUT AS I SAID, DON PASSED AWAY ABOUT SIX TO  
17   EIGHT WEEKS AGO, AND THEN HIS WIFE PASSED AWAY THIS PAST WEEK.  
18   CHARLES MILLER, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83, THE CHAIRMAN  
19   OF AVERY DENNISON FOR OVER 17 YEARS AND C.E.O. FOR 21 YEARS.  
20   HE WAS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE L.A. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
21   ALSO HAD SERVED AS CHAIRMAN OF THE UNITED WAY. HELPED  
22   ESTABLISH A LOS ANGELES SPORTS COUNCIL, THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC  
23   FOUNDATION, MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF ROSE BOWL LEGACY  
24   CAMPAIGN AND ON THE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE AUTRY MUSEUM OF  
25   WESTERN HERITAGE. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CAROLYN; AND





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1 HIS DAUGHTERS, AMANDA, CANDACE, KATHERINE, SUZIE, AND  
2 CHARLOTTE. CHUCK WAS REALLY INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY. HE WAS  
3 A GOOD FRIEND AND GOOD SUPPORTER. AND WAS VERY CHARITABLE AND  
4 COMMUNITY-ORIENTED. AVERY DENNISON HAS BEEN QUITE INVOLVED IN  
5 PAST IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ACTIVITIES. ESTHER TROMS, WHO WAS  
6 THE WIFE OF PASTOR VERN TROMS, FORMER PASTOR OF A LUTHERAN  
7 CHURCH I HAD BELONGED TO. AND SHE PASSED AWAY AND SHE'S  
8 SURVIVED BY HER SON AND HER HUSBAND, VERN. MOSES LEDESMA, THE  
9 FATHER OF BOARD'S DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STAFF MEMBER, MOSES  
10 LEDESMA. HE HAD SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINES, PASSED  
11 AWAY ON SUNDAY AT THE AGE OF 78. BURT RAINSMA PASSED AWAY AT  
12 THE AGE OF 73. LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.  
13 ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY. HELPED FOUND THE SAN JACINTO  
14 COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT, A VOLUNTEER FOR THE HABITAT FOR  
15 HUMANITY AND THE SANTA CLARITA WINTER SHELTER. NORA SANCHEZ,  
16 WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 49. SHE WAS AN ENFORCEMENT  
17 TECHNICIAN AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.  
18 RODRIGO SERRANO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83, RETIRED DEPUTY  
19 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. JUDITH  
20 CAROLINE TIDWELL, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 66. 40-YEAR  
21 RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY WAS A SOCIAL WORKER. AND JAMES  
22 WOODRUFF, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 66. HE WAS A DEPUTY WITH  
23 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SERVING AT THE  
24 EAST LOS ANGELES STATION. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT  
2    WILL BE THE ORDER OF -- THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER CALLS TO MY  
3    ATTENTION THERE ARE FOUR PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD BY WAY  
4    OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS: AND WE WOULD ASK  
5    THAT YOU WOULD COME FORWARD. PATRICIA MULCAHEY, GENEVIEVE  
6    CLAVREUL, ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS, IN THAT ORDER. THE  
7    COMBINED AMOUNT OF TIME THAT YOU HAVE FOR THE ITEMS THAT YOU  
8    WISH TO ADDRESS WILL BE THREE MINUTES. PLEASE PROCEED. THE  
9    OTHER PERSONS WHO I CALLED, WE'D ASK THAT YOU WOULD COME  
10    FORWARD AT THIS TIME. MA'AM, PLEASE PROCEED.

11  
12    **PATRICIA MULCAHEY:** YES. MY NAME'S PATRICIA MULCAHEY AND NUMBER  
13    1 YOU'RE GOING AGAINST THE CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATION. AND NUMBER  
14    TWO, YOU'RE VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT. IN REGARDS TO THE AUDIT  
15    DEPARTMENT I WAS A FEDERAL WHISTLE BLOWER AGAIN. THAT WAS  
16    SEPTEMBER 4, 2001, THE NUMBER IS WHEN I HAD A SUBMIT WORK TO  
17    DAMIAN SUTTON THE NUMBER WAS 202-874-8536. WHEN I HAD TO MEET  
18    WITH THOMAS LEEHAN IN REGARDS TO THE WRONG DOINGS IN REGARDS  
19    TO ANITA BACH, THE D.C.F.S. C.E.O., AND I HAD TO SEND THE  
20    PAPERWORK ALSO TO THE F.B.I. AGENT KEITH COLE. THOMAS LEEHAN'S  
21    WAS 323-626-7210. AND THE OTHER ONE THAT I HAD FOR THOMAS  
22    LEEHAN, I HAD MY SURROGATE MOTHER CAME WITH ME. WE WERE IN  
23    CALI. SO SHE WAS WITNESS TO THE FACT. THE OTHER NUMBER THAT I  
24    HAVE IS 310-819-6404. NOW, AGAIN, YOU'RE GOING AGAINST THE  
25    CIVIL RIGHTS AND YOU'RE GOING AGAINST THE BROWN ACT. OKAY. YOU



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1 REALLY DO NOT CARE ONLY THING YOU'RE HERE TO DO IS PUSH  
2 WASHINGTON'S AGENDA AND COVER UP ANY KIND OF POSSIBLE  
3 WRONGDOINGS ON YOUR PART.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR  
6 YOUR TESTIMONY. WE WILL NOW GO TO THE NEXT PERSON, DR.  
7 CLAVREUL, PLEASE.

8

9 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.  
10 FIRST OF ALL, TO CALL ALL THE ITEMS AT ONE TIME IS DEFINITELY  
11 A VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT. I WILL SPEAK FIRST TO ITEM --  
12 SUCH GOOD TIME -- ON ITEM 18. IT IS THE ITEM DEALING WITH THE  
13 AMENDMENT ABOUT QUADRAMED. AGAIN, THIS IS AN ITEM DEALING WITH  
14 MORE MONEY GIVEN TO EXTEND BY \$76 MILLION, THAT'S A PRETTY BIG  
15 STEEP INCREASE. AND I DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO GO IN DETAIL BUT  
16 WE HAVE HAD THAT ITEM COME BACK OFF AND ON EVERY TIME TO SEE  
17 AN INCREASE. ON ITEM 19 THAT'S AGAIN AN INCREASE FOR HEALTH  
18 MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, AN INCREASE FOR \$7 MILLION FOR THE  
19 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES WITH AN INCREASE OF \$469 MILLION  
20 FOR MENTAL HEALTH, INCLUDING TWO SEPARATE TWO-YEAR CONTRACT  
21 EXTENSION FOR BOTH OF THEM. I THINK DR. KATZ THAT CLEAR  
22 CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH H.M.S. BOTH IN SAN FRANCISCO AND  
23 HERE. I THINK THAT'S AN ISSUE I BROUGHT BEFORE HE WAS HIRED. I  
24 THINK THOSE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST ARE NOT GOING TO GO AWAY. I  
25 THINK THOSE WERE VERY EVIDENT IN SAN FRANCISCO. I THINK THEY



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1 ARE VERY EVIDENT HERE. THE GRAND JURY IN SAN FRANCISCO LOOKED  
2 INTO THAT AND I AGREE WITH THAT. I HAD ALSO SIGNED UP FOR ITEM  
3 21, BUT THIS DID NOT COME UP, SAME ISSUE, INCREASE OF MONEY ON  
4 A-4. AGAIN, A LOT OF MONEY INVOLVED. I KNOW WE ARE AT THE END  
5 OF THE YEAR, SO LAST TWO, THREE WEEKS WE HAVE BEEN BOMBARDED  
6 WITH INCREASE OF HUGE AMOUNT OF MONEY DEALING WITH D.H.S. WITH  
7 NO RATIONALE FOR IT. ON A-4, IT'S AGAIN ANOTHER CONTRACT  
8 HAVING TO DO WITH HEALTH MANAGEMENT. DEFINITELY SOMEBODY IS  
9 GETTING THEIR PALM GREASED. I THINK WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS THREE  
10 MINUTES FOR ALL THE ITEMS IS CRIMINAL. I THINK IT IS A TRUE  
11 VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT. KARMA IS A BITCH AND I THINK ONE  
12 DAY YOU'RE GOING TO GET CAUGHT WITH THAT. AND I HOPE THE NEW  
13 YEAR BRINGS SOME CHANGE AND YOU CAN BE SURE I'M GOING TO FIGHT  
14 TO MAKE SURE THE BROWN ACT IS ENFORCED.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
17 TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE? THAT WOULD BE ERIC PREVEN.

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19 **ERIC PREVEN:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE  
20 COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND THOUGH SUPERVISOR  
21 YAROSLAVSKY HAS NOT GONE FAR ENOUGH, WE DO APPRECIATE HIS  
22 TAKING A LOOK AT THESE PUBLIC COMMENT RULES. AND I'LL GET INTO  
23 IT ONCE I FINISH COMMENTING ON MY ITEMS. A-4 IS THE H.M.A.  
24 ISSUE WITH DR. KATZ. IN JUNE OR APRIL I BELIEVE, I BROUGHT TO  
25 THE BOARD'S ATTENTION THAT THERE WAS SOME CONFLICT OF INTEREST



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1 ALLEGATIONS OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION, IF MS. JENKINS IS  
2 LISTENING, REGARDING HIS BEING COMPENSATED BY A FIRM THAT HAD  
3 BEEN ENGAGED IN A CONTRACT. NOW WE'VE SEEN A \$999,000 CONTRACT  
4 THAT CAME THROUGH AND NOW WE HAVE ANOTHER ONE FOR  
5 APPROXIMATELY 600,000. THIS ALL HAS TO DO WITH AN IMPORTANT  
6 ASPECT OF THE 115 HEALTH REFORM LEGISLATION. BUT I ASKED IF  
7 YOU'D TAKE A LOOK AND I'D JUST LIKE SOME FEEDBACK ON THAT. AND  
8 PERHAPS YOU CAN GET THAT TO ME. ITEM 47, 48 AND 49 HAVE TO DO  
9 WITH THE COUNTY RISK REPORT AND WE'LL TALK ABOUT THAT ON  
10 DECEMBER 20, THE ANNUAL COST LITIGATION REPORT. THOSE ITEMS  
11 SHOULD NOT BE BURIED ON THE EVE OF THE HOLIDAY. THEY'RE VERY  
12 IMPORTANT. THEY DEAL WITH SOME OF THE PROFOUND AND ONGOING  
13 PROBLEMS WITH OUR SYSTEM THAT WE DO NEED TO GET TO THE BOTTOM  
14 OF, MS. ORDIN. AS YOU KNOW, WE'VE DISCUSSED THESE OFFLINE  
15 HERE. ITEM NO. 1, IF I MAY. ITEM NO. 1 IS ONCE AGAIN THE ITEM  
16 IN WHICH WE EXTEND THE TENURE OF VARIOUS COMMISSIONERS OF  
17 VARIOUS TYPES. AND MANY OF THEM ARE GREAT PEOPLE. ONE PROBLEM  
18 IS THAT TODAY WE ARE DOING THE COMMISSION ON, I BELIEVE IT'S  
19 EFFICIENCY, ECONOMIC EFFICIENCY. I CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER BECAUSE  
20 THEY'RE SO CONFUSING. BUT THIS IS A GROUP THAT IS SPENDING  
21 APPROXIMATELY \$370,000 A YEAR DOING VARIOUS LITTLE RESEARCH  
22 PROJECTS. AND I THINK THAT IT'S TIME TO RECONSIDER WHETHER OR  
23 NOT WE WANT TO CHANGE THE LAW AS MS. KAPUR, FROM COUNTY  
24 COUNSEL IS REQUESTING BY ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THIS FOR ANOTHER  
25 FIVE YEARS. THAT'S A MILLION AND A HALF DOLLARS. I THINK WE



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1 NEED TO TAKE A GOOD LONG LOOK BEFORE WE APPROVE THAT,  
2 SUPERVISORS. ITEM NO. 13 IS A LONG BEACH ITEM, SO SUPERVISOR  
3 KNABE WILL TAKE A LITTLE INTEREST. THIS HAS TO DO WITH THE  
4 EXTENSION. AND I SENT THIS TO THE C.E.O. AND THE LAWYERS  
5 BECAUSE I WAS CONFUSED. \$350,000 CONTRACT FOR AN AIRPLANE  
6 HANGAR WHICH WE USE, THE SHERIFF USES, BUT NOW WE'RE ADDING  
7 \$75,000 A YEAR FOR SOME OFFICE SPACE THAT I LOOKED AT THE 2009  
8 VERSION OF THE AGREEMENT, IT SEEMS TO BE ALREADY INCLUSIVE. SO  
9 THIS IS MORE OR LESS A THANK YOU, WHICH I JUST DON'T  
10 UNDERSTAND. THE AUDIT COMMITTEE THAT LOOKS AT MANY OF THESE  
11 COMMISSIONS IS THE ONE THAT I THINK NEEDS TO BE RE-JIGGERED  
12 BECAUSE THEY'RE ALL VERY CLOSE TO THE SUPERVISORS. AND I THINK  
13 IT BEGS SOME CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONS. I'M ARE RUNNING  
14 OUT OF TIME HERE WHICH IS OF GREAT CONCERN. BUT LET ME SEE IF  
15 I CAN SCAN QUICKLY. ITEM NO. 17 HAS TO DO WITH TEMPORARY WORK  
16 THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE FARMING OUT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
17 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. THERE ARE 13,000 EMPLOYEES IN THIS  
18 GROUP. I THINK THAT IF WE ASSIGNED AN HOUR TO EACH OF THOSE  
19 EMPLOYEES, WE WOULD GET MOST OF THE WAY THERE FOR THIS  
20 ADDITIONAL WORK. IT JUST PAINS ME TO SEE THIS KIND OF  
21 EXPENDITURE GIVEN THAT KIND OF A GROUP AND THEIR EFFORTS. LAST  
22 BUT NOT LEAST, I'LL WRAP IT UP.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU VERY KINDLY. NEXT  
25 SPEAKER PLEASE, ARNOLD SACHS, PLEASE PROCEED.





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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. THIS IS QUITE A  
3 DIFFERENT WAY, I'M WONDERING WHY YOU'RE DOING THE AGENDA IF  
4 YOU'RE NOT PUTTING UP THE ITEMS ON THE SCREEN FOR THE PUBLIC  
5 TO KNOW WHAT WE'RE SPEAKING ABOUT, JUST DOING A FULL BLOWN  
6 READ WHATEVER YOU WANT. SO LET'S DO THIS SINCE I DIDN'T GET A  
7 CHANCE TO PUT THIS CARD IN BUT NOBODY REALLY KNOWS. ITEM 1-D  
8 REFERS TO C.D.B.G. FUNDS, \$14,000.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** HOLD MR. SACHS' TIME IF YOU  
11 WOULD. MR. SACHS, LET ME SUGGEST THAT YOU SPEAK TO THE  
12 FOLLOWING ISSUES FOR WHICH YOU HAVE SIGNED UP. 14, 18, 40, 42,  
13 50-A AND 50-C. ANYTHING ELSE IS SIMPLY INCONSISTENT WITH YOUR  
14 REQUEST. WE EXPECT YOU TO SPEAK TO THOSE ISSUES THAT YOU'VE  
15 ADDRESSED. RELEASE HIS TIME. PROCEED AND WE SHALL GO TO THE  
16 NEXT ITEM.

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18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SUPERVISOR THOMAS, THAT WAS MY POINT EXACTLY.  
19 YOU DIDN'T PUT THE ITEMS UP THERE, NOBODY KNOWS. SO WHAT'S THE  
20 SENSE? OKAY. THEN WE WILL SPEAK ON ITEM 14, I'M WONDERING  
21 ABOUT A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS. YOU'RE HAVING SELECTED FIRMS TO  
22 ENSURE CONTINUATION OF CONSULTING SERVICES. WHEN WERE THESE  
23 FIRMS HIRED? FOR HOW LONG A PERIOD OF TIME? BECAUSE THIS GOES  
24 FROM THE YEAR JANUARY 2012 TO DECEMBER 2016. AND SO WHAT  
25 HAPPENS IN DECEMBER '12, '16, DOES THE CONTRACT JUST CONTINUE?



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1 ITEM NO. 18 REFERS TO UPDATE CERTAIN COUNTY STANDARD TERMS AND  
2 CONDITIONS. WELL, WE'VE CERTAINLY UPDATED STANDARDS AND  
3 CONDITIONS REGARDING PUBLIC SPEAKING. BUT I'M WONDERING WOULD  
4 THAT BE AN UPDATE TO THE METRO BOARD LEVEL OR A DOWNGRADE TO  
5 THE METRO BOARD LEVEL? BECAUSE, HELL, THAT'S A LUNATIC BIN. IT  
6 ALSO REFERS TO TWO CONFLICTS, \$116 MILLION INCREASE. SO I'M  
7 WONDERING, \$116 MILLION INCREASE? WHAT ABOUT REQUESTS FOR  
8 PROPOSALS? THAT'S A LOT OF MONEY. WE JUST HAD THE AN ITEM ON  
9 THE AGENDA ABOUT \$300 MILLION. NOW, IT'S NOT QUITE \$300  
10 MILLION, BUT IT IS STILL, IT'S 33 PERCENT. ITEM 40 WAS THE  
11 COST OF LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES TO PASADENA. AND THE ONLY  
12 REASON I HELD THAT IS BECAUSE YOU MIGHT HAVE READ THE STORY  
13 ABOUT THE COST OF L.A. CITY LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES TO LOS  
14 ANGELES AIRPORT WHERE THEIR EXORBITANT FEES FOR MAN POWER. SO  
15 I'M WONDERING: ARE YOU GETTING A MARKET RATE? BECAUSE IF YOU  
16 USED L.A. CITY COUNCIL, L.A. CITY RATES, YOU COULD BE MAYBE  
17 ADDING ANOTHER DECIMAL POINT TO THIS OPERATION AND GETTING  
18 OVER \$70 MILLION. ITEM 50 REFERS TO THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE  
19 COMMISSIONS. AND BASED ON THE CONVERSATION AND THE STATEMENTS  
20 MADE BY THE SUPERVISORS, I WAS WONDERING IF YOU'D INCLUDE A  
21 KUMBAYA MOMENT WHERE YOU'D HAVE A HANDHOLDING CEREMONY WITH  
22 DESIGNATED STAFF MEMBERS. BECAUSE WE ALL HEARD HOW WELL YOU  
23 ALL GET TOGETHER. AND ITEM 50-C REFERS TO SEVERE WIND  
24 EMERGENCY. WELL EVERY TIME THIS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
25 MEETS, THERE'S A SEVERE WIND EMERGENCY. IT'S BLOWING HARD.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR  
3 YOUR TESTIMONY. THAT CONCLUDES THOSE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD.  
4 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR PRO TEM. THE FOLLOWING  
7 ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 1-H, 1, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15,  
8 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25. ON ITEM NO. 26, WE WILL  
9 CONTINUE ONE WEEK TO DECEMBER 13. ITEM NO. 40, 42, 44, 45, 46.  
10 ON ITEM NO. 47 WE WILL CONTINUE TWO WEEKS. ON ITEM NO. 50-A,  
11 IF THE BOARD CAN APPROVE ALL ITEMS EXCEPT FOR THE APPOINTMENTS  
12 TO SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 9, SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 17, AND  
13 THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS, WE WILL  
14 CONTINUE THOSE THREE APPOINTMENTS ONE WEEK TO DECEMBER 13. AND  
15 ITEM A-4.

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19 >>**SUP. KNABE:** MOVE IT.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.  
22 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH PURSUANT TO THE READING OF  
23 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. THERE'S NO OBJECTION, THERE IS A  
24 UNANIMOUS VOTE. LET'S THEN PROCEED TO THE NEXT ITEM BEFORE US,  
25 WHICH IS ITEM NO. 16, SUPERVISOR KNABE HELD IT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MARK. I'D LIKE TO HAVE SOMEBODY FROM  
3 D.P.S.S., I HAVE SEVERAL QUESTIONS WITH REGARDS TO THIS. FIRST  
4 OF ALL, I WANT TO MAKE SURE THERE WASN'T A MISPRINT IN THE  
5 AGENDA THAT THIS IS A SIX-MONTH EXTENSION FOR OVER \$36  
6 MILLION? IS THAT CORRECT?

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8 **SHERYL SPILLER:** YES.

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT IS THE AVERAGE PAYMENT PER CHILD PER MONTH? I  
11 KNOW THE COST IS DIFFERENT FROM INFANTS TO OLDER KIDS, BUT DO  
12 YOU HAVE AN AVERAGE?

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14 **SHERYL SPILLER:** YES. I'M SHERYL SPILLER, ACTING DIRECTOR FOR  
15 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. AND THE AVERAGE IS  
16 ABOUT \$469 PER CHILD.

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** SO THIS SIX-MONTH EXTENSION COVERS HOW MANY  
19 CHILDREN?

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21 **SHERYL SPILLER:** ON AVERAGE WE SERVE ABOUT 13,000 CHILDREN PER  
22 MONTH.

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** AND STAGE 1 AS I UNDERSTAND IT IS 100 PERCENT  
25 FULLY SUBSIDIZED, IS THAT CORRECT?



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2 **SHERYL SPILLER:** YES, IT IS.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THERE A POINT WHERE PARENTS HAVE TO CONTRIBUTE?

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6 **SHERYL SPILLER:** WELL IN STAGE 1 IT'S GENERALLY COVERED IF  
7 INDEED A PARENT SELECTS CHILDCARE THAT GOES BEYOND WHAT WE  
8 CALL THE, WHAT IS IT, REGIONAL MARKET RATE. THEN THEY MAY BE  
9 ASKED TO SUBSIDIZE.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S CALLED STAGE 2?

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13 **SHERYL SPILLER:** NO. NOW STAGE 2 ARE THOSE FAMILIES THAT ARE NO  
14 LONGER COVERED RECEIVE A CASH GRANT SO THAT THEY MAY BE ASKED  
15 TO ALSO SUBSIDIZE A PAYMENT. LET'S SEE. IF THE FAMILY INCOME  
16 IS BELOW -- BETWEEN 40 AND 70 PERCENT OF THE STATE MAXIMUM  
17 INCOME. SO THEY MAY BE ASKED TO SUBSIDIZE.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** THE ADMINISTRATION FEES, ARE THEY DETERMINED BY  
20 THE STATE OR ARE THEY SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION?

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22 **SHERYL SPILLER:** THEY'RE SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS.

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** GOOD NEGOTIATIONS?

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1    **SHERYL SPILLER:** GOOD NEGOTIATIONS.

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3    **SUP. KNABE:** AT ONE POINT IN TIME, THE COUNTY PAID FOR, AS I  
4    UNDERSTAND IT, AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR KIDS ON CALWORKS.  
5    WOULD THIS BE A MORE COST-EFFECTIVE THAN PAYING FOR THIS  
6    CHILDCARE? I MEAN THIS IS A HUGE CONTRACT.

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8    **SHERYL SPILLER:** YOU KNOW, I THINK WE WOULD TAKE SOME IN-DEPTH  
9    ANALYSIS TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT IT WOULD BE MORE COST-  
10   EFFECTIVE. BUT THE WAY THE REGS READ, THE FAMILIES ARE ALLOWED  
11   TO PARTICIPATE IN EITHER THE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM OR SELECT  
12   THE LICENSE OR LICENSE EXEMPT CHILDCARE. SO WE COULD TAKE A  
13   LOOK AT THAT. AND THE RESOURCE AND REFERRAL AGENCIES DO  
14   ENCOURAGE THE FAMILIES TO GO TO BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL  
15   PROGRAMS.

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17   **SUP. KNABE:** SO IF YOU WERE TO LOOK AT IT AND SAID HEY, IT'S  
18   BETTER FOR THE TAXPAYER UNDER CALWORKS, WOULD THAT REQUIRE A  
19   LEGISLATIVE CHANGE? OR WOULD IT BE ADMINISTRATIVE? OR BOARD  
20   ACTION? WHAT WOULD THE CONSEQUENCES OF ANY CHANGE BE?

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22   **SHERYL SPILLER:** YOU KNOW WHAT? I'M NOT SURE. I WOULD HAVE TO -

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1    **SUP. KNABE:** I ASK THAT YOU LOOK AT THAT AND SORT OF REPORT  
2    BACK TO US TO SEE WHAT OUR OPTIONS MAY OR MAY NOT BE.

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4    **SHERYL SPILLER:** OKAY.

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6    **SUP. KNABE:** AND THEN FINALLY, I WANT EVERYBODY TO KNOW THIS  
7    BECAUSE THIS IS A STATISTIC THAT I'VE HEARD MANY TIMES. AND I  
8    JUST IT'S UNBELIEVABLE, BUT THAT PEOPLE PAY OVER \$1.9 BILLION  
9    ANNUALLY FOR CHILDCARE HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IS THAT  
10   ACCURATE? DO YOU CONTINUE TO HEAR THAT FIGURE, AS WELL, TOO?

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12   **SHERYL SPILLER:** YES, I DO.

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14   **SUP. KNABE:** OF THAT, HOW MUCH IS GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY?

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16   **SHERYL SPILLER:** OF THAT, \$900 MILLION IS ACTUALLY GOVERNMENT  
17   SUBSIDIZED.

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19   **SUP. KNABE:** SO THE PARENTS ARE PAYING OVER A BILLION DOLLARS A  
20   YEAR IN CHILDCARE IN THIS COUNTY.

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22   **SHERYL SPILLER:** RIGHT.

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24   **SUP. KNABE:** HUGE ISSUE. THANK YOU.

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1   **SHERYL SPILLER:** MAY I JUST ADD SOMETHING TO THE BOARD? JUST TO  
2   LET YOU KNOW THAT L.A. COUNTY HAD THE HIGHEST WORK  
3   PARTICIPATION RATE IN THE STATE. I MEAN, THERE WERE THREE  
4   OTHER COUNTIES THAT HAD A HIGH PARTICIPATION RATE, BUT THEIR  
5   TOTAL POPULATION WASN'T OVER 50,000 PEOPLE. AND SO WITH THAT,  
6   WE PUT A LOT OF FAMILIES TO WORK. AND WE, THROUGH WORK  
7   PROGRAMS, SO THAT AND WE NEED CHILDCARE IN ORDER TO DO THAT.  
8   SO I THINK THAT THIS HAS BEEN MONEY WELL SPENT. AND BECAUSE OF  
9   THAT, THIS COUNTY IS NOT SUBJECT TO SOME PENALTIES THAT OTHER  
10   COUNTIES WILL HAVE TO PAY FOR NOT REACHING THAT WORK  
11   PARTICIPATION RATE. SO \$469 A MONTH FOR CHILDCARE HAS SERVED  
12   THIS COUNTY WELL, I BELIEVE.

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14   **SUP. KNABE:** I'M NOT ARGUING AGAINST CHILDCARE. I SUPPORT IT. I  
15   JUST THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE TO KNOW JUST WHAT THIS  
16   PROGRAM DOES AND JUST HOW EXPENSIVE IT REALLY IS. OKAY, THANK  
17   YOU. I MOVE ITEM 16.

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19   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANKS, IT'S BEEN PROPERLY  
20   MOVED. IS THERE A SPECIFIC DATE, SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU WISH TO  
21   HAVE THE REPORT BACK?

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23   **SUP. KNABE:** IF SHE COULD JUST GET IT BACK WITHIN THE NEXT TWO  
24   WEEKS, IT WOULD BE GREAT.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT. IF THERE'S NO  
2    OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET'S  
3    MOVE TO ITEM 50-C AT THE REQUEST OF SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, IT  
4    WAS HELD BY THAT OFFICE AND WE WILL PROCEED ACCORDINGLY.

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6    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME CALL UP THAT  
7    ITEM. BUT WE ALSO HAVE PEOPLE SIGNED UP. WE HAVE  
8    REPRESENTATIVES FROM ED SOMEONE HERE. AS YOU KNOW, OUR COUNTY  
9    HAS SUFFERED A SEVERE WIND STORM. AS I SPEAK, THERE ARE STILL  
10   AREAS THAT DO NOT HAVE POWER, THAT'S BEEN GOING ON FOR AN  
11   EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME. THOSE WINDS WERE AS HIGH AS 97 MILES  
12   PER HOUR AND I UNDERSTAND THERE MAY BE OTHER WINDS THIS WEEK,  
13   AS WELL. WE HAD FALLEN TREES, OUTAGES, EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO  
14   PRIVATE PROPERTY. WE DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY, AS DID THE  
15   CITIES OF PASADENA, SIERRA MADRE, SAN GABRIEL, TEMPLE CITY,  
16   GLENDORA, ARCDACIA, ALHAMBRA, SAN MARINO, AND MONROVIA. ALSO  
17   OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES WERE ALSO INVOLVED. AND I  
18   SIGNED A DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS  
19   ANGELES. AND THAT WAS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. CLEANUP AND  
20   REPAIR ESTIMATES RIGHT NOW, THEY ARE ONLY PRELIMINARY, FOR  
21   ARCADIA EXCEEDS \$2 MILLION. MONROVIA 400,000, DUARTE 100,000  
22   AND IT GOES ON. WE STILL DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH THIS RECOVERY  
23   EFFORT WILL COST THE COUNTY. WE'VE BEEN WORKING AROUND THE  
24   CLOCK IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND ASSESSING THOSE IMPACTED  
25   COMMUNITIES HAVE SUFFICIENT RESOURCES. THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY



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1 MANAGEMENT ACTIVATED -- WAS ACTIVATED AND ALSO THE COUNTY'S  
2 EMERGENCY HOTLINE, 211. WE'VE BEEN GETTING REGULAR UPDATES  
3 FROM PUBLIC WORKS, THE SHERIFF, IMPACTED CITIES AND EVEN OUR  
4 PRIVATE TRASH HAULERS HAVE BEEN VERY, VERY RESPONSIVE IN  
5 MAKING EXTRA TRIPS AND ALLOWING THE RESIDENTS TO USE OTHER  
6 CONTAINERS TO TAKE THAT TRASH AWAY. MY OFFICE HAS BEEN  
7 COLLECTING THE DATA AND SHARING IT WITH RESIDENTS WHO CALLED  
8 IN TO OUR TOWN COUNCILS IN EDISON. HOWEVER THE SILENT VOICE IN  
9 ALL THIS HAS BEEN EDISON. THEY HAPPEN TO BE THE SOURCE OF 99  
10 PERCENT OF THOSE COMPLAINTS, THOUGH. COMPANIES HAVE BEEN  
11 CENTERED ON THE EDISON'S LACK OF INFORMATION, THE 1-800 NUMBER  
12 IS SLOW. AND WHEN SOMEONE DOES GET A HOLD OF A REPRESENTATIVE,  
13 THE INFORMATION IS NOT ALWAYS CORRECT. THE WEBSITE DOES NOT  
14 PROVIDE UPDATED ACCURATE INFORMATION. AND I'VE SPOKEN TO  
15 PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE COUNTY WHO HAS BEEN ASSISTING EDISON IN  
16 SOME OF THESE ISSUES. CUSTOMERS, HOWEVER, DO NEED ANSWERS.  
17 AND, AGAIN, I EVEN HAD AN EMAIL TODAY FROM AN INDIVIDUAL WHO  
18 RESIDES IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF SAN GABRIEL AND HER  
19 POWER IS STILL OUT. ALL OF THEIR FOOD IS BEING -- HAS BEEN  
20 DESTROYED. SHE HAPPENS TO ALSO BE A WIFE OF A PASTOR IN ONE OF  
21 OUR COMMUNITIES IN WHICH ALL OF THE FESTIVAL FOODS AND THAT  
22 HAVE BEEN DESTROYED. AND BE IT PASTORS AND HIS FAMILY OR SOME  
23 LONELY PERSON BY THEMSELVES WHO HAVE NOBODY TO TURN TO. SO THE  
24 QUESTION IS: HOW MANY -- AND WE HAVE REPRESENTATIVES FROM



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1 EDISON HERE. LET ME LET YOU INTRODUCE YOURSELVES AND I ASK THE  
2 QUESTIONS. FOR THE RECORD, GIVE YOUR NAMES.

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4 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING, MR.  
5 CHAIRMAN AND GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS VERONICA  
6 GUTIERREZ. I AM THE VICE PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS FOR  
7 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON AN AND I HAVE WITH ME DAVID VAN  
8 IDERSTINE AND BEN WONG, WHO ARE ALSO DIRECTORS OF PUBLIC  
9 AFFAIRS. FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
10 ADDRESS THE STORM RECOVERY EFFORTS. WE CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND  
11 THE FRUSTRATION OF OUR CUSTOMERS, SOME SOME OF WHOM HAVE  
12 EXPERIENCED NO SERVICE FOR OVER 4-1/2 DAYS NOW. WE CAN TELL  
13 YOU, HOWEVER, THAT WE ARE ENTIRELY COMMITTED TO GETTING THESE  
14 LIGHTS BACK ON. SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE STORM WHEN WE HAD  
15 419,000 CUSTOMERS OUT, WE HAVE HAD 276 CREWS OUT THERE FROM AS  
16 FAR AWAY AS SAN DIEGO AND BAKERSFIELD WORKING ON THIS NONSTOP  
17 DAY AND NIGHT. LAST NIGHT, FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAD 48 LINE  
18 CLEARING CREWS OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT. TODAY WE HAVE  
19 100 WHO ARE STILL OUT THERE. THIS STORM HAS CERTAINLY BEEN  
20 UNPRECEDENTED IN OUR EXPERIENCE. I HAVE SPOKEN WITH 30-YEAR  
21 EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE NEVER SEEN THIS LEVEL OF DAMAGE. AND WE ALL  
22 KNOW, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT THE AMOUNT OF TREE DEBRIS OUT THERE  
23 HAS BEEN VERY SIGNIFICANT AND HAS HAMPERED THE EFFORTS,  
24 UNFORTUNATELY. BUT WE ARE STILL OUT THERE. WE HAVE OUR MOBILE  
25 COMMAND CENTER OUT IN SANTA ANITA AT THE SANTA ANITA PARK.



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1 WE'VE HAD IT THERE SINCE THURSDAY. AND WE ARE STILL OPERATING  
2 24/7 TO GET THESE LIGHTS BACK ON. AS OF ABOUT AN HOUR AGO, THE  
3 NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS THAT WENT DOWN FROM 419,000 TO JUST ABOUT  
4 9,000. AND WE ARE STILL FOCUSING ON THOSE. THE NUMBER MIGHT  
5 EVEN BE SMALLER THAN THAT BECAUSE IT TAKES A WHILE FOR THOSE  
6 REPORTS TO COME BACK IN. WHAT HAS HAMPERED THE EFFORTS HAS  
7 REALLY BEEN THE AMOUNT OF DAMAGE THAT WE FOUND WHEN WE GOT OUT  
8 THERE. YOU CAN SEE NOW JUST DRIVING THROUGH THE AREA THE  
9 AMOUNT OF BRANCHES AND LEAVES AND PALM FRONDS PILED UP AGAINST  
10 THE CURBS ALMOST AS IF IT'S SNOW OUT ON THE EAST COAST. THAT'S  
11 OUR COUNTERPART. BECAUSE THERE IS SO MUCH DEBRIS. WHAT WE DO  
12 KNOW IS THAT THE PUBLIC WORKS FOLKS, GAIL FARBER'S TEAM HERE  
13 AT THE COUNTY, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND ALSO LOCAL POLICE  
14 AND LOCAL FIRE AND LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS AGENCIES HAVE DONE A  
15 TREMENDOUS JOB IN HELPING US GAIN ACCESS TO THE SEVERE  
16 IMPACTED AREAS. AND THAT HAS REALLY BEEN OUR BIGGEST  
17 CHALLENGE. IN SOME INSTANCES WE COULDN'T EVEN GET TO THE HOME.  
18 WE HAVE ALSO EXPERIENCED A SITUATION NOW WHERE WHEN WE GET  
19 THERE, WE RECEIVE INITIAL REPORTS THAT WE MIGHT HAVE A TREE  
20 DOWN. WHEN WE GET THERE, WE HAVE MULTIPLE TREES DOWN. AND  
21 THEY'RE NOT JUST ON THE LINES THAT ARE BETWEEN THE POLES, BUT  
22 THEY ARE ON THE LINES BETWEEN THE POLES AND THE HOMES. SO WHEN  
23 WE BRING UP A CIRCUIT, IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE THAT  
24 IT IS SAFE TO DO SO. IN A REGULAR RAINSTORM, FOR EXAMPLE, WE  
25 MIGHT HAVE A PALM FROND THAT GOES ALONG OUR LINES AND IT ARCS.





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1 WE GO BACK OUT THERE AND WE TURN ON THE SWITCH AND THE LIGHT  
2 COMES BACK ON. HERE WE ARE FINDING THAT WE MIGHT HAVE A REPORT  
3 THAT SAYS ONE TREE DOWN SOMEWHERE AND IN FACT WE HAVE FIVE  
4 TREES DOWN WHEN WE GET THERE. OR WE HAVE MULTIPLE LINES DOWN  
5 TO THE HOME. SO THAT IT'S NOT NECESSARILY SAFE TO TURN ON THAT  
6 CIRCUIT AT THAT TIME. AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S SAFE.  
7 THAT OF COURSE IS PARAMOUNT. WE CANNOT COMPROMISE ON THAT. AND  
8 THAT HAS BEEN WHAT HAS OCCASIONED SOME OF THIS DELAY,  
9 UNFORTUNATELY. BUT LIKE I SAID, WE ARE OUT THERE. WE ARE STILL  
10 OPERATING IN EMERGENCY MODE UNTIL EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THOSE  
11 CUSTOMERS ARE BACK UP. AND EVEN AFTER THAT, WE WILL BE GOING  
12 AROUND TO VERIFY THAT ALL OF THESE CUSTOMERS ARE UP, EITHER  
13 THROUGH PHONE CALLS OR THROUGH PATROLS. AND JUST ONE ISSUE ON  
14 PATROLS. WE HAVE HELICOPTERS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR DAMAGE  
15 ASSESSMENT, BUT BECAUSE OF THE WINDS THEY HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO  
16 FLY LOW OVER THE AREAS THAT ARE MOST AFFECTED BECAUSE WE STILL  
17 HAVE WINDS IN THOSE AREAS. SO DESPITE THAT, WE'VE BEEN GOING  
18 OUT ON FOOT. AND IN FACT, THIS WEEKEND, WE HAD VOLUNTEERS FROM  
19 EDISON, SOME OF WHOM THEMSELVES, EMPLOYEES WHO THEMSELVES DID  
20 NOT HAVE POWER, VOLUNTEERING AT SIX DISTRIBUTION CENTERS WHERE  
21 WE DISTRIBUTED ICE AND WATER AND FLASHLIGHTS. AND NORMALLY AT  
22 A STORM, WE HAVE ONE DISTRIBUTION CENTER, BUT BECAUSE OF THE  
23 MAGNITUDE OF THIS STORM, WE HAD SIX DISTRIBUTION CENTERS OUT  
24 THERE. OVER THE WEEKEND WE CONTINUE TO HAVE THEM TODAY. AND  
25 THEN TODAY WE ARE STEPPING IT UP EVEN FURTHER TO TRY TO MAKE



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1 DIRECT CONTACT WITH THOSE CUSTOMERS WHO ARE STILL OUT. SO THIS  
2 IS BY NO MEANS OVER FOR US. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE  
3 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. AND WE ARE  
4 ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL TO THE PUBLIC WORKS STAFF WHO HAVE INVITED  
5 US TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COORDINATED AGENCY RECOVERY EFFORT,  
6 THE CARE PROGRAM, HERE AT THE COUNTY SO THAT WE CAN  
7 PARTICIPATE THERE. SOME OF THE EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTERS  
8 HAVE SHUT DOWN. THEY SHUT DOWN EARLIER IN THE STORM. BUT WE  
9 ARE STILL THERE AND WE WILL WORK WITH CARE TO MAKE SURE THAT  
10 WE ARE AS RESPONSIVE AS WE CAN BE TO THE NEEDS OF OUR  
11 CUSTOMERS, YOUR CONSTITUENTS.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW LONG AFTER THE FIRST OUTAGE DID EDISON  
14 DEPLOY THE LINEMEN TO MAKE THE REPAIRS? AND WHAT IS YOUR  
15 PRIORITY LIST WHEN YOU DO THE RESTORATION OF ENERGY? IS TO THE  
16 HOSPITALS, ARE THEY AT THE TOP OF THE PRIORITY LIST? WHAT IS  
17 YOUR PRIORITY LIST?

18

19 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION. WE AT THE FIRST  
20 CALL OUT, WE RESPOND BY HAVING A LINE CREW GO OUT TO  
21 INVESTIGATE. SO WE STARTED GETTING THAT RIGHT AWAY ON  
22 WEDNESDAY NIGHT, IN FACT. IN TERMS OF PRIORITY FOR RESTORATION  
23 FOR SOMETHING THIS EXTENSIVE, WE FOCUS FIRST ON ESSENTIAL  
24 SERVICES, LIKE YOU SAID, HOSPITALS, MEDICAL FACILITIES AND  
25 ALSO THOSE CIRCUITS THAT HAVE PEOPLE ON LIFE-SUPPORT SYSTEMS.



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1 WE HAVE THAT ON RECORD BACK AT OUR HEADQUARTERS, AND WE CAN  
2 DEPLOY CREWS OUT TO THEM FIRST. SECOND, AMONG THOSE ESSENTIAL  
3 SERVICES ARE SAFETY FACILITIES. FIRE DEPARTMENTS, FIRE  
4 STATIONS AND POLICE STATIONS. THIRD IS THE LARGE CIRCUITS.  
5 WHAT WE TRY TO DO -- AND I THINK MOST PEOPLE UNDERSTAND WE TRY  
6 TO GET AS MANY CUSTOMERS BACK ON AS POSSIBLE QUICKLY. SO WE GO  
7 TO THE LARGE CIRCUITS FIRST. AND THEN THE SMALLER CIRCUITS  
8 AFTER THAT. SO THAT'S ESSENTIALLY THE PRIORITY, THE ORDER OF  
9 PRIORITY.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND AFTER IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THERE WAS A  
12 MAJOR DISASTER, HOW DID YOU COORDINATE WITH THE LAW  
13 ENFORCEMENT, WITH THE COUNTY AND WITH THE CITIES THAT WERE  
14 IMPACTED?

15

16 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WELL WE GENERALLY DEPLOY OUR STAFF  
17 DIRECTLY TO THE E.O.C.S. IF THE CITIES DID NOT HAVE E.O.C.S.,  
18 IF THEY DO NOT HAVE EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTERS, WE CONTACT  
19 THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OR FIRE DEPARTMENT DIRECTLY. I  
20 PERSONALLY WAS WORKING WITH THE FOLKS FROM TEMPLE CITY THIS  
21 WEEKEND. THEY OPERATED THEIR E.O.C. FOR THE FIRST TIME AFTER  
22 SOME TRAINING A FEW MONTHS AGO AND THEY DID A FANTASTIC JOB.  
23 IT'S MAINTAINING THAT COMMUNICATION WITH THOSE AGENCIES THAT'S  
24 CRITICAL. AND THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS THAT WE WELCOMED THE  
25 INVITATION TO WORK WITH CARE HERE AT THE COUNTY, AS WELL.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT TYPE OF INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED TO  
3 THE CITIES, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE COMMUNITIES? AND HOW OFTEN  
4 WAS THAT UPDATED?

5

6 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WE GENERALLY HAD INFORMATION ON AN HOURLY  
7 BASIS OURSELVES, BUT THE E.O.C.S WERE MEETING MAYBE ONCE A DAY  
8 OR SO. IN BETWEEN THOSE TIMES WE ALSO COMMUNICATED WITH  
9 WHOEVER WAS THE LEAD FOR THOSE CITIES. AND WE COMMUNICATED  
10 MORE OFTEN WHEN WE NEEDED TO COORDINATE EFFORTS WITH THE  
11 PUBLIC WORKS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, ESPECIALLY WHEN  
12 THEY HAD TO REMOVE SOME OF THE DEBRIS. WHEN THEY WERE  
13 DEPLOYING FOLKS TO CERTAIN AREAS, WE HAD TO MAKE SURE THAT WE  
14 DE-ENERGIZED OUR LINES IF THEY WERE WORKING ON THEM OR THAT  
15 THEY WERE AVAILABLE TO REMOVE SOME OF THE DEBRIS IF WE WERE  
16 WORKING ON TREE REMOVAL OURSELVES.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW OFTEN DID YOU COORDINATE WITH CUSTOMERS  
19 OR TOWN COUNCILS OR LOCAL CIVIC GROUPS?

20

21 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WE TRIED TO GET INFORMATION OUT THROUGH  
22 THE MEDIA AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. THE TOWN COUNCILS IN TERMS OF  
23 CITY COUNCILS AND ALL, THEY WEREN'T MEETING YET. AND THEY'RE  
24 STARTING TO MEET THIS WEEK NOW. BUT SO MANY OF THEM DEPLOYED  
25 OVER THE WEEKEND THAT WE WENT TO THE CITY HALLS AND WE



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1 CONTACTED THEM DIRECTLY AT THE CITY HALLS. SO WE TOUCHED BASE  
2 WITH JUST ABOUT ALL OF THE CITY OFFICIALS, OR REPRESENTATIVES  
3 OF ALL OF THE CITY OFFICIALS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAD OFFICES THAT THEY WERE NOT CONTACTED  
6 TILL WE GOT INVOLVED.

7

8 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** THAT MAY BE THE CASE, I UNDERSTAND THAT.  
9 IF THEY WERE AT CITY HALL, HOWEVER, WE DID COMMUNICATE WITH  
10 THE FIRST RESPONDERS. WE DO NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GET  
11 CAUGHT UP WITH SOME OF THE COMMUNICATION, AS WELL, HOWEVER.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GIVEN THAT THE INTERNET SERVICE WAS DOWN AND  
14 CELL RECEPTION WAS BASICALLY POOR OR NOT AVAILABLE, DID EDISON  
15 CANVAS THE NEIGHBORHOODS AND PROVIDE REGULAR UPDATES TO THE  
16 CUSTOMERS?

17

18 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WELL WHAT WE TRIED TO DO WAS CANVASS THE  
19 NEIGHBORHOODS TO HAVE THEM COME TO THE DISTRIBUTION CENTERS  
20 FOR ICE AND WATER AND FLASHLIGHTS. WE HAD APPROXIMATELY 200  
21 FOLKS OUT OVER THE WEEKEND, METER READERS PRIMARILY WITH  
22 EDISON UNIFORMS, SO THAT THEY COULD BE EASILY IDENTIFIED. WE  
23 DID NOT GET TO ALL OF THE LOCATIONS BECAUSE AT THAT TIME OVER  
24 THE WEEKEND, WE STILL HAD SOMEWHERE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF  
25 30,000 CUSTOMERS OUT. IT'S PROBABLY MUCH MORE FEASIBLE TO DO



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1 IT TODAY WITH A SMALLER NUMBER OF FOLKS OUT. AND THE SAME  
2 NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS THAT WE ARE USING.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT DID YOU SET UP LOCAL COMMAND CENTERS ON  
5 LET'S SAY RELOCATING IN THE EMERGENCY SHELTERS TO SET UP  
6 DISTRIBUTION OR COMMUNICATION NETWORKS SO THAT THE TOWN  
7 COUNCILS AND THE OTHER INDIVIDUALS WOULD BE AWARE OF WHAT WAS  
8 TAKING PLACE AND WHEN THEY COULD GET RELIEF?

9

10 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WHAT WE DID IS WE COORDINATED WITH THE  
11 CITIES TO LOCATE THE DISTRIBUTION CENTERS SO THAT IN SOME  
12 INSTANCES WE HAD THEM AT FIRE STATIONS. IN OTHER PLACES WE HAD  
13 THEM AT CITY HALLS. IN TEMPLE CITY, FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAD TWO.  
14 WE HAD ONE AT CITY HALL AND WE HAD ONE AT A PARK BECAUSE THE  
15 CITY RECOMMENDED THAT WE DO THAT.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT DID YOU DO FOR THE UNINCORPORATED  
18 AREAS, IN ALTA DENA, SAN GABRIEL AND MONROVIA, AND THE OTHER  
19 UNINCORPORATED AREAS THAT WERE IMPACTED.

20

21 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WE HAD THEM IN SEVERAL AREAS. DO YOU  
22 RECALL WHICH ONES?

23

24 **BEN WONG:** WE HAD ONE AT THE ALTA DENA COMMUNITY CENTER. IT WAS  
25 UP ON SATURDAY.





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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THAT WAS SATURDAY. AND THE WINDS HIT,  
3 WHAT? WEDNESDAY?

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5 **BEN WONG:** THEY HIT WEDNESDAY EVENING.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. SO THEY WERE WITHOUT POWER AND SOME  
8 ARE STILL WITHOUT POWER. THERE'S A BIG DELAY THERE. AND WHEN  
9 YOU HAVE NO POWER, YOUR COMPUTER GOES OUT, YOUR CELL PHONES  
10 ARE NOT OPERABLE. SO THEY REALLY NEEDED DIRECT CONTACT WITH  
11 THOSE NEIGHBORS AS TO WHAT ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE AND HOW CAN  
12 WE ASSIST YOU? I KNOW SOME HAD TO MOVE OUT.

13

14 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** THAT'S UNDERSTOOD. WITH 419,000 CUSTOMERS,  
15 IT'S NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE GET TO EVERY SINGLE CUSTOMER. SO WE  
16 TRIED TO USE THE MEDIA IN THAT RESPECT. WE TRIED TO GET WORD  
17 OUT --

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THE MEDIA ONLY WORKS IF YOU HAVE  
20 ELECTRICITY TO TURN ON THE TELEVISION. SO THAT'S STUPID.

21

22 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WELL ACTUALLY WHAT ENDED UP HAPPENING WAS  
23 THAT WE DID RECEIVE CALLS FROM FOLKS WHO DID NOT HAVE POWER  
24 WHO DID HAVE THEIR CELL PHONES AVAILABLE TO THEM. BUT AGAIN.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT AFTER A PERIOD OF TIME, THOSE BATTERIES  
2   RUN OUT.

3

4   **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** NO, I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT, AGAIN, WE HAD  
5   419,000 CUSTOMERS OUT. AND THAT IS NOT SOMETHING THAT WE COULD  
6   GET TO. WE COULDN'T EVEN GET TO SOME OF THE LINES BECAUSE WE  
7   COULDN'T ACCESS CERTAIN AREAS. BUT WE DID GET TO AS MANY AS WE  
8   COULD. WE ARE GOING TO BE DOING A LESSONS LEARNED AFTER ACTION  
9   REPORT. AND WE ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY  
10   TO SEE HOW WE CAN IMPROVE THAT COMMUNICATION. BECAUSE WE  
11   RECOGNIZE OUR CUSTOMERS WERE OUT. THEY DIDN'T HAVE ACCESS TO  
12   INFORMATION. AND THEY NEED THAT INFORMATION. SO WE ARE LOOKING  
13   TO IMPROVE THAT.

14

15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN YOU WERE ABLE TO DISPENSE THAT  
16   INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC, DID YOU TELL THEM WHEN THEIR POWER  
17   WOULD COME ON OR WHEN THE LINEMEN WOULD BE WORKING IN THEIR  
18   NEIGHBORHOOD?

19

20   **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WE TRIED TO GIVE THEM ESTIMATES OF THAT,  
21   YES.

22

23   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAD ONE CON CONSTITUENT WHO CALLED AND  
24   EDISON DID NOT KNOW HER POWER WAS OUT BECAUSE SHE DID NOT HAVE  
25   A SMART METER INSTALLED. IS THAT ACCURATE?



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2 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WELL, WE RELY ON THE CALLS FROM THE  
3 CUSTOMERS OR ON OUR PATROLS TO DETERMINE WHAT IS OUT AND WHAT  
4 IS NOT OUT. AND ONCE WE HAVE THE SMART METERS ALL INSTALLED,  
5 WE WILL BE ABLE TO TELL BACK AT HEADQUARTERS WHETHER OR NOT  
6 SOMEONE HAS POWER, IS USING POWER OR NOT.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT WAS YOUR PROGRAM TO HELP THOSE WHO  
9 DIDN'T HAVE A SMART METER TO BE INFORMED?

10

11 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** FOR THOSE FOLKS, WE ENDED UP HAVING TO USE  
12 THE MEDIA AS BEST WE COULD.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IF THE MEDIA, IF THEY HAD NO ELECTRICITY  
15 AND COULDN'T TURN ON THE TELEVISION OR THE RADIO TO GET THAT  
16 INFORMATION, HOW DID YOU RESPOND TO HELP THOSE INDIVIDUALS?

17

18 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** THAT'S WHERE WE TRIED TO GO OUT AND DO THE  
19 DOOR-TO-DOOR OUTREACH. BUT OBVIOUSLY WE WEREN'T ABLE TO GET TO  
20 ALL OF THEM. SOME AREAS WE COULDN'T EVEN ACCESS THE  
21 NEIGHBORHOOD, LET ALONE THE INDIVIDUALS. BUT THAT'S WHAT WE'RE  
22 GOING TO BE LOOK AT TO IMPROVE IN THE LESSONS LEARNED SESSION  
23 THAT WELL HOLD AFTER THIS EVENT.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW OFTEN DO YOU HAVE AN EXERCISE, A DISASTER  
2   EXERCISE ON HOW TO RESTORE POWER WHEN THERE IS A DISASTER?

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4   **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WE HAVE DRILLS WITHIN THE COMPANY MULTIPLE  
5   TIMES A YEAR.

6

7   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW MANY TIMES DID YOU DO IT THAT  
8   IMPACTED THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY? WHEN WAS THE LAST DRILL YOU  
9   HAD WHEN THE POWER WOULD GO OUT IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY?

10

11   **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** THE LAST ONE THAT I PARTICIPATED IN WAS  
12   TWO MONTHS AGO. IT INVOLVED A SCENARIO THAT WE WRITE UP. AND  
13   THE ONES THAT WE'VE DONE ON A BASICALLY EVERY SIX MONTHS BASIS  
14   COVERED DIFFERENT AREAS.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT DID YOU PRACTICE TWO MONTHS AGO ON HOW  
17   TO HANDLE THIS? AND WHY DIDN'T THAT PROTOCOL GO INTO PLACE  
18   WHEN YOU HAD THIS DISASTER?

19

20   **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WELL, THE PROTOCOL THAT WE HAD IN PLACE  
21   THERE WAS TO RESTORE POWER AND TO DEAL WITH --

22

23   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOUR NUMBER ONE IS TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE  
24   CUSTOMER AS YOU ARE RESTORING THE POWER. SO YOU LET THEM KNOW  
25   WHAT IS OCCURRING. AND THOSE THAT HAVE NO POWER, HOW WE CAN



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1   HELP THEM BE ASSISTED RELATIVE TO YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT FOOD  
2   AND SHELTER?

3

4   **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** IN THE SCENARIO TWO MONTHS AGO, WE  
5   ENLISTED THE ASSISTANCE OF LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES.  
6   AS WE DID IN THIS INSTANCE WITH RESPECT TO HAVING FOLKS GET TO  
7   THE DISTRIBUTION CENTERS. SO IT WAS CONSISTENT WITH WHAT WE  
8   DID TWO MONTHS AGO IN OUR EXERCISE.

9

10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHEN YOU DID YOUR EXERCISE, THAT INCLUDED  
11   THE CITIES, THE 88 CITIES?

12

13   **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** THE EXERCISE ITSELF DID NOT INVOLVE THE  
14   CITIES BUT THE SCENARIO DID.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY? BECAUSE THE CITIES ARE THE ONES THAT ARE  
17   INVOLVED. AND IT INVOLVED THE COUNTY BECAUSE THE COUNTY IS  
18   DIRECTLY INVOLVED WITH -- WE HAVE 1.5 MILLION PEOPLE IN  
19   UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. WE ARE THEIR CITY HALL. WE ARE  
20   THEIR MAYOR. WE ARE THEIR REPRESENTATIVE. THEY ARE LOOKING FOR  
21   RESPONSE. AND WHEN YOU DO THESE EXERCISES, IT'S NOT A DAMN BIT  
22   OF GOOD IF YOU DON'T ENGAGE THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY WHEN YOU HAVE  
23   A DISASTER. WE HAVE AN EARTHQUAKE THAT'S GOING TO BE HITTING  
24   THIS AREA SOON. WE DON'T KNOW WHEN, BUT WE KNOW IT'S COMING.



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1 WE USUALLY HAVE THEM ABOUT EVERY 10 YEARS. HOW ARE YOU GOING  
2 TO RESPOND WHEN WE HAVE AN EARTHQUAKE?

3

4 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WE WILL HAVE TO END UP RESPONDING AS BEST  
5 WE CAN.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT YOU'RE NOT RESPONDING EFFECTIVELY. THAT'S  
8 WHY YOU NEED TO HAVE EXERCISE THESE DRILLS TO BE COORDINATED  
9 WITH PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS. WHEN WE DO EARTHQUAKE  
10 PREPAREDNESS, WE INVOLVE THE HOSPITALS, WE INVOLVE THE LAW  
11 ENFORCEMENT, WE INVOLVE THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY, WE INVOLVE THE  
12 TOWN COUNCILS, WE INVOLVE THE CITIES.

13

14 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** AND WE PARTICIPATE IN THOSE DRILLS, AS  
15 WELL.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. BUT WHY DON'T YOU HAVE THE SAME WHEN  
18 YOUR POWER GOES OUT THAT YOU'RE GOING TO PARTICIPATE IN A  
19 COMMUNITY EFFORT TO RESTORE POWER?

20

21 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WE DO PARTICIPATE WITH THE E.O.C. WE  
22 PARTICIPATE WITH THE COUNTY E.O.C. WE PARTICIPATE WITH THE  
23 CITY E.O.C.S. AND WE RUN THE DRILLS WITH THEM. BECAUSE THAT  
24 IS, YOU'RE RIGHT. THAT IS THE ONLY WAY TO REALLY GET THIS





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1 PRACTICE DOWN IN COORDINATION WITH THOSE LOCAL ENTITIES. AND  
2 WE DO DO THAT. WE PARTICIPATE IN THOSE EXERCISES.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU HAVE AN EXERCISE, AND YOU FAILED WHEN WE  
5 HAVE THE DISASTER. WHAT DO YOU DO IN YOUR EXERCISE? HOW DO YOU  
6 EVALUATE THE EXERCISE? AND HOW DO YOU EVALUATE HOW WE CAN DO A  
7 BETTER JOB FROM THE PREVIOUS EXERCISE? OR IS IT JUST COFFEE  
8 AND DONUTS?

9

10 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** NO. WE DEFINITELY DO THE EVALUATION. ONE  
11 OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE GOING TO LOOK AT AFTER THIS ONE IS  
12 HOW DO YOU GET TO THOSE HARDEST HIT AREAS THAT YOU DO NOT HAVE  
13 PHYSICAL ACCESS TO IF THEY DO NOT HAVE ELECTRICITY?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU DECIDED HOW WE  
16 CAN GET TO THOSE AREAS THAT WE DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO  
17 RESTORE POWER?

18

19 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** NO, NO. WE'VE CONDUCTED IN EVERY EXERCISE.  
20 BUT WE ARE NOT ABLE TO GET TO CUSTOMERS IN PERSON IF WE DO NOT  
21 HAVE ACCESS. AND THAT IS GOING TO BE A REALITY.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WHY ISN'T THAT PART OF YOUR EXERCISE TO  
24 DETERMINE WHAT YOU DO WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE ACCESS SO YOU CAN  
25 ACQUIRE THAT ACCESS TO RESTORE THE POWER.



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**VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** SO IN THIS INSTANCE, ACTUALLY IT'S LIVE, THIS IS NOT AN EXERCISE. WHAT WE ARE DOING TODAY IS CONTACTING THOSE CUSTOMERS WHO ARE STILL OUT NOW THAT WE HAVE ACCESS. SO MOST CUSTOMERS UNDERSTAND WHEN WE HAVE AN EVENT OF THIS MAGNITUDE. AGAIN, 419,000 CUSTOMERS OUT. UNPRECEDENTED AMOUNT OF DEBRIS OUT THERE. THEY SAW IT THEMSELVES. THEY UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE A DELAY. WHAT HAPPENS IS THAT AFTER SEVERAL DAYS, OBVIOUSLY, FOLKS LOSE PATIENCE. AND THAT'S ENTIRELY UNDERSTOOD. IF THEY CAN'T GET TO AND FROM THEIR OWN HOMES, GENERALLY THEY UNDERSTAND THAT WE CAN'T GET TO THEM, EITHER. TODAY WE CAN GET TO THEM. SO THAT IS PART OF OUR EFFORT TO GO OUT AND GET TO THEM. I DO NOT HAVE THE RESULTS OF THOSE OUTREACH EFFORTS YET TODAY BECAUSE I'M HERE. BUT WE WILL HAVE THEM TOMORROW.

16

**SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARCADIA ISN'T THAT DIFFICULT TO GET TO. SAN MARINO IS NOT THAT DIFFICULT TO GET TO. SAN GABRIEL, THE UNINCORPORATED OR THE CITY IS NOT THAT DIFFICULT. YOU DON'T HAVE ANY BARRIERS. PASADENA IS VERY EASY TO GET TO. SO WHEN WE TALK ABOUT IT'S DIFFICULT TO GET TO THESE PLACES, WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT OUT IN THE WILDERNESS. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IN AN URBAN AREA. AND YOUR EXERCISE PROGRAM SHOULD HAVE YOU EFFECTIVELY ABLE TO HANDLE ANY TYPE OF DISASTER. EARTHQUAKE, WINDS, WHATEVER. AND THAT SHOULD BE A CONSTANT PART OF YOUR



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1 TRAINING PROGRAM. AND YOUR PEOPLE IN THE FIELD SHOULD KNOW HOW  
2 TO RESPOND TO THE PUBLIC AND DO FORUMS AND GET ENGAGED. WHEN  
3 HAD THE STATION FIRE, THE PUBLIC WORKS, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT,  
4 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, OUR TOWN COUNCILS AND OUR CITIES  
5 WORKED HAND IN GLOVE SO WE WERE ABLE TO ALLEVIATE A LOT OF THE  
6 DAMAGE THAT WOULD HAVE OCCURRED HAD THEY NOT BEEN IN  
7 COMMUNICATION. BUT WE DID THIS PRIOR TO THE FLOODING AND  
8 AFTERWARDS. AND THEY ARE STILL IN COOPERATION AND  
9 COMMUNICATING. WE ARE PLANNING FOR THE NEXT ONE. WE HAVE THIS.  
10 I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW YOU HAVE NEARLY HALF A MILLION  
11 CUSTOMERS AND YOU DON'T PLAN AHEAD.

12

13 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WE DID THE PLANNING.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT YOUR PLAN DIDN'T WORK BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY  
16 THERE WASN'T A GOOD PLAN.

17

18 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WE RECEIVED A LOT OF POSITIVE FEEDBACK  
19 FROM OUR CUSTOMERS WHO DID RECEIVE INFORMATION, WHO WERE ABLE  
20 TO GET THEIR POWER BACK UP, OBVIOUSLY. AND WHEN WE DID IT, WE  
21 ACTED ACCORDING TO THE PLANS FOR RECOVERY, ACCORDING TO THE  
22 PRIORITIES THAT YOU ASKED ABOUT. WE DID THAT. WE WERE ABLE TO  
23 DO IT SAFELY. WE STILL HAVE FOLKS WHO ARE STILL OUT. AND THOSE  
24 ARE THE ONES THAT WE'RE CONCENTRATING ON TODAY. SO WITH



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1 RESPECT TO THE PLAN TO GET THE WORD OUT, WE ARE DOING WHAT WE  
2 CAN TODAY TO GET TO THEM PERSONALLY IF WE CAN.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IT'S LIKE THIS IS THE FIRST DISASTER  
5 YOU'VE EVER HAD AND WE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO AND WE'RE GOING  
6 TO LEARN FROM THIS TRAGEDY. THE WAY THAT YOU HAVE REACTED TO  
7 THE PUBLIC WITH LACK OF INFORMATION AND RESTORING POWER.  
8 YOU'RE SENDING A WRONG MESSAGE TO YOUR CUSTOMERS. AND I ASSUME  
9 YOU HAVE STOCKHOLDERS. YOU'RE SENDING A WRONG MESSAGE TO YOUR  
10 STOCKHOLDERS THAT THIS IS A COMPANY THAT DOES NOT PLAN AHEAD,  
11 THAT OLD BOY SCOUT MOTTO, BE PREPARED, YOU'RE REACTING. AND  
12 YOU REACTED, AGAIN, NOT WELL. AND YOU CAN TALK TO ANYBODY ON  
13 THE STREET WHO'S BEEN IMPACTED, AND THEY'RE SAYING: IS THIS A  
14 THIRD WORLD? ARE WE LIVING IN A THIRD WORLD COUNTRY? OR IS  
15 THIS CALIFORNIA? IS THIS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA? AND THEN I GO TO  
16 AN A.Q.M.D. MEETING AND YOUR RESEARCH ARM IS SPENDING TIME  
17 TALKING ABOUT PUTTING OVERHANGS ON THE FREEWAY TO HAVE THESE  
18 BIG DIESEL TRUCKS NOW USE ELECTRIC BUSES? PUTTING THESE  
19 OVERHANGS ON THE FREEWAY TO GENERATE POWER. IF WE HAD A WIND  
20 AND THEY CAME DOWN, WHAT WOULD YOU HAVE DONE CLOSING THE 710  
21 OR THE OTHER FREEWAY? YOU SHOULD BE PUTTING YOUR RESOURCES AND  
22 TIME AND EFFORT IN BEING PREPARED AND CUSTOMER SERVICE AND  
23 FORGET SOME OF THE FRILLS, IN MY OPINION.

24

25 **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** AND WE ARE.



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2   **SUP. KNABE:** MR. ANTONOVICH, I WOULD JUST ADD, I MEAN, WE HAVE

3   PROTOCOLS IN PLACE FOR OUR EMERGENCIES, WHETHER IT'S

4   EARTHQUAKES, FIRES, WHATEVER IT MAY BE, FLOODS. AND TO ME

5   THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO REASON THAT YOU COULDN'T EVEN OVERLAP OR

6   CONTRACT WITH AGENCIES THAT HAVE BEEN THROUGH THIS MANY, MANY

7   TIMES. THERE SHOULD HAVE BEEN POLICE CARS, SHERIFF'S CARS OUT

8   THERE WITH LOUD SPEAKERS JUST LIKE WE DO IN A FIRE SITUATION,

9   LETTING THESE FOLKS KNOW, BECAUSE LIKE MIKE SAYS, WHEN YOU

10   HAVE NO ELECTRICITY, HOW CAN YOU USE THE MEDIA? NOBODY'S GOING

11   TO WATCH T.V. NOBODY'S GOING TO LISTEN TO RADIO. NOT BE ABLE

12   TO TURN ON A COMPUTER. IF THEIR CELL PHONE, ONCE IT RUNS OUT,

13   THEY CAN'T RECHARGE IT. SO IT TOOK DOOR-TO-DOOR, HAND TO HAND,

14   NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR CONTACT. AND THAT SHOULD BE PART OF YOUR

15   EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN AND WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH US.

16   WE'VE BEEN THROUGH IT. IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE IN THAT WAY, WE

17   CAN ASSIST AND TRAIN. WE PLAN FOR THESE THINGS HOPEFULLY

18   BEFORE THEY HAPPEN. AND THEN WE'RE ABLE TO RESPOND

19   ACCORDINGLY. BUT YOU JUST LEFT A LOT OF FOLKS HANGING OUT

20   THERE IN THE SENSE THAT THEY DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS GOING ON.

21   YOU KNOW, PEOPLE UNDERSTAND BECAUSE OF THE EXACT SITUATION.

22   NOTHING LIKE THIS HAS EVER HAPPENED. JUST LIKE THE STATION

23   FIRE, THE WORST FIRE IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY. BUT IF YOU'RE

24   PREPARED, IF YOU LET THE PEOPLE KNOW, IF YOU KNOW THE ELECTED

25   OFFICIALS, THE CITY GOVERNMENTS KNOW, THEY CAN DEAL WITH THAT



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1 AND HELP YOU WITH YOUR OWN PUBLIC RELATIONS PROBLEM. NOW  
2 YOU'VE GOT A PUBLIC RELATIONS NIGHTMARE.

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4 **BEN WONG:** WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE THE INVITATION FROM THE  
5 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF  
8 FOR THE RECORD.

9

10 **BEN WONG:** I'M SORRY. BEN WONG WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON.  
11 I WANTED TO JUST SAY WE APPRECIATE THE EFFORT OR THE  
12 OPPORTUNITY AND INVITATION EXTENDED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS FOLKS  
13 YESTERDAY AT A MEETING THAT WE HELD WITH THEM AND THE  
14 SUPERVISORS' STAFF, TO PARTICIPATE IN A PROGRAM THAT I BELIEVE  
15 HAS BEEN SET UP FOR ABOUT A YEAR OR TWO NOW CALLED CARE, THE  
16 COORDINATED AGENCY RESPONSE EFFORT. AND WE ARE WORKING,  
17 LOOKING TO WORK WITH THEM SO THAT WE CAN WORK WITH THOSE OTHER  
18 AGENCIES.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** IS THAT THE FIRST TIME  
21 YOU'VE HEARD OF CARE?

22

23 **BEN WONG:** IT'S THE FIRST TIME WE WERE MADE AWARE OF IT, THAT I  
24 WAS MADE AWARE OF IT, YES. YES.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** FIRST TIME ANY OF THE THREE OF YOU WERE  
2    MADE AWARE OF CARE?

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4    **BEN WONG:** YES.

5

6    **VERONICA GUTIERREZ:** WE HAVE NORMALLY WORKED WITH THE E.O.C.S  
7    RATHER THAN CARE.

8

9    **BEN WONG:** AND WHEN THE E.O.C. WAS ACTIVATED ON THURSDAY, MY  
10   REGION MANAGER THAT REPORTS TO ME REPORTED TO THE E.O.C., I  
11   BELIEVE. BY FRIDAY AFTERNOON I BELIEVE THEY WOUND IT DOWN TO A  
12   LOWER STATUS. SO THEY CLOSED UP THE E.O.C. AT THE COUNTY.

13

14   **DAVID VAN IDERSTINE:** SUPERVISOR, DAVID VAN IDERSTINE WITH  
15   SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON. TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S  
16   QUESTION REGARDING COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE COMMUNITY AND THE  
17   COMMUNITY COUNCILS, IN OUR VERY POSITIVE MEETING YESTERDAY  
18   AFTERNOON IN ALTA DENA WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF YOUR DISTRICT  
19   STAFF AND THE O.E.M. DIRECTOR, WHO WAS VERY COMPLIMENTARY AND  
20   APPRECIATIVE OF OUR OUTREACH TO THE COUNTY, THE COLLEAGUE THAT  
21   MR. WONG REFERRED TO TICKED OFF THE NAMES OF THE INDIVIDUALS  
22   ON THE TOWN COUNCILS IN THE ALTA DENA AREA WITH LIGHTENING  
23   SPEED AND YOUR STAFF AND HIS WERE NODDING BACK AND FORTH WITH  
24   EACH OTHER. WE DID MAKE EFFORTS TO REACH OUT TO THE VERY  
25   ORGANIZATIONS THAT YOU MENTIONED, SIR.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT, SUPERVISOR  
3 ANTONOVICH, ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO. I MOVE THE MOTION.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT. THE MATTER IS  
8 BEFORE US. LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT IT WOULD SEEM TO ME  
9 THAT ALL THAT HAS BEEN DONE PERHAPS OUGHT TO BE DOCUMENTED FOR  
10 THE BENEFIT OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE SO THAT THERE IS CLARITY.  
11 AND I THINK THE OFFICE OUGHT TO BE ASSURED OF WHAT STEPS WILL  
12 BE TAKEN PROSPECTIVELY IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY OF THE PERCEIVED  
13 BREAKDOWN. THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THIS WAS AN OVERWHELMING  
14 SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES. BUT THAT'S ESSENTIALLY WHAT EMERGENCY  
15 PREPAREDNESS IS ABOUT. AND I THINK NOW THAT YOU ARE AWARE OF  
16 THE COUNTY'S CAPACITY AND THE VARIOUS AGENCIES THAT CAN COME  
17 FORWARD TO BE OF ASSISTANCE, WE OUGHT TO PROBABLY DO A MORE  
18 COMPREHENSIVE INVENTORY OF WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE SO THAT YOU  
19 KNOW WHO YOUR PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNERS ARE. NO REASON TO BE  
20 UNINFORMED. AND THEN MAKE THE CLAIM THAT ALL IS BEING DONE  
21 THAT CAN BE DONE. SIMILARLY, I WOULD THINK MY COLLEAGUES WOULD  
22 SHARE IN THIS POINT OF VIEW THAT PUBLIC WORKS AND THE  
23 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS SHOULD TAKE NOTE OF THIS EXPERIENCE, COME  
24 FORTH AND COMMUNICATE WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITIES IN  
25 TERMS OF UTILITIES TO CAUSE THEM TO KNOW WHAT IS AVAILABLE AND



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1 HOW PROTOCOLS CAN AND SHOULD BE FOLLOWED. AND IN THAT WAY I  
2 THINK WE CAN CELEBRATE OUR WORKING TOGETHER. MR. FUJIOKA, YOU  
3 WISH TO BE HEARD?

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE OF  
6 ISSUES. WE'LL ALSO BE PREPARING A LESSONS-LEARNED REPORT FOR  
7 THE BOARD. I WOULD ENCOURAGE ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS TO VISIT THE  
8 L.A. COUNTY WEBSITE AT LACOUNTY.GOV. WE HAVE SOME VERY  
9 IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON THAT WEBSITE THAT SPEAKS TO OUR  
10 EFFORTS TO COLLECT DAMAGE INFORMATION. WE'RE COLLECTING THAT  
11 RIGHT NOW AS PART OF MAYOR ANTONOVICH'S EMERGENCY  
12 NOTIFICATION. WE'RE ALSO ON THAT WEBSITE, WE HAVE INFORMATION  
13 ON PUTTING TOGETHER AN EMERGENCY SURVIVAL GUIDE. WELL, NO, I'M  
14 SORRY. WE HAVE AN EMERGENCY SURVIVAL GUIDE ABOUT WHAT THE  
15 INDIVIDUAL HOMEOWNERS SHOULD BE DOING IN A CASE OF  
16 EMERGENCIES. BECAUSE WITH COMMUNICATION, AS THE MAYOR SAID,  
17 WITH ELECTRICITY DOWN, THEY COULDN'T ACCESS THE TELEVISION.  
18 THEY COULDN'T ACCESS RADIOS POWERED BY ELECTRICITY, THEY  
19 COULDN'T ACCESS THEIR COMPUTERS. BUT ON OUR EMERGENCY SURVIVAL  
20 GUIDE, WE ENCOURAGE FOLKS TO HAVE A BATTERY-OPERATED RADIO,  
21 FOR EXAMPLE. I KNOW THAT THERE ARE SOME FAMILIES THAT MAY NOT  
22 BE ABLE TO AFFORD THAT, BUT WE ALSO RECOMMEND PUTTING TOGETHER  
23 NEIGHBORHOOD TEAMS WHERE THE INDIVIDUALS, WELL PEOPLE IN  
24 INDIVIDUAL HOMES COULD START WORKING TOGETHER AS A UNIT TO  
25 TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER. SO I WOULD ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO GO



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1 TO OUR WEBSITE. I'D ALSO ENCOURAGE FOLKS TO REPORT DAMAGE TO  
2 OUR 211 L.A. COUNTY DISASTER HOT LINE. BECAUSE WE'RE TRYING TO  
3 ASSESS HOW MUCH DAMAGE THERE IS OUT THERE IN ORDER TO MEET THE  
4 REQUIREMENT TO GET EITHER STATE OR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE. AND SO  
5 WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY TO GET THIS  
6 INFORMATION. BUT WE WILL BE REPORTING BACK TO YOUR BOARD ON  
7 WHAT WE CAN DO TO IMPROVE OUR RESPONSE TO AN EMERGENCY LIKE  
8 THIS. BECAUSE AS THE MAYOR SAID, WHEN THE BIG ONE HITS, WE'LL  
9 NEED TO WORK TOGETHER AS ONE COMMUNITY TO MAKE SURE WE'RE  
10 READY.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO IF YOU GIVE US A COPY OF YOUR EXERCISE  
13 YOU DID TWO MONTHS AGO, AND THEN WE CAN USE THE OFFICE OF  
14 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, OUR SHERIFF AND FIRE DEPARTMENT, TO  
15 REVIEW THAT. AND ALSO OUR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BECAUSE THEY'RE  
16 ALWAYS ENGAGED IN OUR EMERGENCY EXERCISES.

17

18 **DAVID VAN IDERSTINE:** AND ALSO LOOKING FORWARD TO PARTICIPATING  
19 WITH THE COUNTY IN THE PREPARATION AND THE CONDUCT OF THE  
20 GOLDEN GUARDIAN EXERCISE NEXT YEAR, WHICH WE UNDERSTAND WILL  
21 ADOPT THE MAJOR EARTHQUAKE SCENARIO THAT WAS EMPLOYED IN 2008.  
22 WE'D WANT TO THANK THE COUNTY FOR THEIR COOPERATION AND THEIR  
23 ALLOWING US PERMISSION TO INSTALL EMERGENCY RADIO  
24 COMMUNICATIONS FOR OUR OWN UTILITY RADIO NETWORK IN THE  
25 COUNTY'S E.O.C. SO THAT WHEN OUR STAFF RESPONDS THERE WHEN



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1 ACTIVATED, WE WILL BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH OUR  
2 OWN SYSTEM OPERATIONS FOLKS TO GET TO THE COUNTY THE  
3 INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SYSTEM STATUS THAT YOU NEED. WE COULD  
4 NOT HAVE DONE THAT WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE  
5 THERE IN THAT WAY.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY  
8 MUCH. MR. FUJIOKA, ADDS TO THE REPORT THAT THERE WILL BE A  
9 COMPREHENSIVE LESSONS-LEARNED DOCUMENT. MR. FUJIOKA, DO YOU  
10 WANT TO SPECIFY WHEN THE BOARD MIGHT EXPECT TO SEE SUCH A  
11 REPORT?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'RE TRYING TO GET THE REPORT TOGETHER NOW  
14 PROBABLY WITHIN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS, WE SHOULD HAVE  
15 SOMETHING BACK TO YOUR BOARD ON THAT SUBJECT.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SO BY THE LAST MEETING OF  
18 THE MONTH, WE MIGHT SEE IT.

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT WOULD BE A GOOD TARGET.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** IF NOT THE BEGINNING OF THE  
23 YEAR, BUT WE'LL GET A STATUS REPORT BY THEN. WE THANK  
24 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR BRINGING THIS MATTER BEFORE US. IT'S



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1 BEEN MOVED BY HIM. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT  
2 OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE ANOTHER MOTION, MR. CHAIRMAN.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** PLEASE PROCEED SIR.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE SANTA ANA WINDS HAVE KNOCKED OUT POWER TO  
9 MORE THAN 450,000 CUSTOMERS OF EDISON ON WEDNESDAY, WITH THOSE  
10 ROARING GUSTS MAXING OUT AT 97 MILES PER HOUR WHICH RESULTED  
11 IN POWER LINES, FALLEN TREES, OUTAGES AND EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO  
12 PRIVATE PROPERTY. AT THE COUNTY WE DECLARED OUR STATE OF  
13 EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO THE DEVASTATION CAUSED BY THE WIND  
14 STORMS, AS DID THE CITIES OF PASADENA, SIERRA MADRE, SAN  
15 GABRIEL, TEMPLE CITY, GLENDORA, ARCADIA, ALHAMBRA, SAN MARINO  
16 AND MONROVIA. AS RECOVERY EFFORTS CONTINUE IN THE  
17 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF ALTA DENA, LA CRESCENTA, SAN  
18 GABRIEL, MONROVIA, EAST PASADENA AND TEMPLE CITY CONTINUE TO  
19 WORK TOGETHER WITH NEIGHBORING CITIES TO RESPOND AND PULL  
20 THROUGH THE DISASTER. HOWEVER, THE RESPONSE FROM SOUTHERN  
21 CALIFORNIA EDISON HAD NOT BEEN WELL COMMUNICATED TO THE PUBLIC  
22 AND THEIR CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE DURING THESE WIND STORMS HAD  
23 BEEN POOR. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE EXECUTIVE  
24 OFFICE TO DRAFT A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE P.U.C.  
25 REQUESTING UTILITY COMPANIES LIKE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON





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1 TO DEVELOP AN EFFICIENT AND COORDINATED EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
2 SYSTEM THAT FOCUSES ON CUSTOMER AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY  
5 MUCH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IT'S BEEN PROPERLY MOVED AND THEN  
6 IT IS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT  
7 WILL BE THE ORDER.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE NEXT ONE DEALS, MR. CHAIRMAN, ON  
10 WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 30, THE HIGH WINDS TOPPLED NUMEROUS TREES  
11 CAUSING SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE TO COUNTY PARKS, GOLF COURSES AND  
12 OTHER PROPERTIES INCLUDING THE -- SO REQUIRING THE COUNTY OF  
13 LOS ANGELES TO DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY TO PROTECT THE  
14 SAFETY AND ENJOYMENT OF OUR CONSTITUENTS, ENSURE THAT THE  
15 CLEANUP IS COMPLETED IN A TIMELY MANNER, IT'S ESSENTIAL THAT  
16 THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION AMEND THEIR CONTRACTS  
17 TO DO THE EMERGENCY WORK. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD DELEGATE  
18 AUTHORITY TO THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO NEGOTIATE  
19 AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING AGREEMENTS WITH CURRENT  
20 CONTRACTORS TO EXPAND THEIR SCOPE OF WORK TO PERFORM EMERGENCY  
21 TREE TRIMMING, DISPOSAL AND RELATED SERVICES AT THE AFFECTED  
22 PROPERTIES AT THE PRICING LEVELS PROVIDED IN THE AGREEMENTS  
23 AND INCREASE THE CONTRACT AMOUNTS TO PERFORM THE EMERGENCY  
24 SERVICES FOR THE EXISTING TERMS OF THE CONTRACTS BEING  
25 AMENDED. SO I MOVE THAT WE ARE ABLE TO TAKE THIS UP NOW



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1 BECAUSE IT IS AN EMERGENCY DEALING WITH THE HEALTH AND SAFETY  
2 OF THE COMMUNITY. AND THEN ASK FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THAT SO  
3 WE CAN START CLEANING UP THE DEBRIS FROM OUR PARKS.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S BEFORE US.  
6 AND WE APPRECIATE YOU BRINGING IT TO OUR ATTENTION, SUPERVISOR  
7 ANTONOVICH. IT'S BEEN PROPERLY SECONDED, THEN, BY SUPERVISOR -  
8 - I'M SORRY.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIR PRO TEM, I BELIEVE --

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME, MR. CHAIRMAN, ALSO EXPAND THAT TO  
13 INCLUDE PUBLIC WORKS IN THE CLEANUP, EXTENDING THEIR CONTRACTS  
14 TO CLEAN UP THE DEBRIS.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** I'VE PROPERLY INDICATED  
17 THAT THE MAKER OF THE MOTION WISHES TO INCLUDE PUBLIC WORKS.  
18 THAT IS IN ORDER. MR. CHAIRMAN, COUNTY COUNSEL, I BELIEVE, --  
19 WE ARE ATTACHING THIS ITEM TO 50-C INSTEAD OF MOVING IT AS AN  
20 URGENCY. WE ARE JUST ATTACHING IT TO ITEM NO. 50-C.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT. PROPERLY MOVED  
23 AND AMENDED ACCORDINGLY, 50-C WOULD THEN BE AMENDED. IS THAT  
24 ACCEPTABLE, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER? MADAM COUNTY COUNSEL?

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES, THANK YOU.

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT. IN LIGHT OF  
4 THAT, THOSE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
5 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. APPROVED BY LEGAL  
6 COUNSEL AND THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU. WHAT'S BEFORE  
7 US, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I BELIEVE THAT IS IT. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO,  
10 THERE WAS A COUPLE ADJOURNMENTS?

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** RIGHT. THERE ARE FOUR  
13 ADJOURNMENTS ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THEY ARE AS  
14 FOLLOWS: ALAN SUES, LONGTIME STAGE, TELEVISION AND FILM ACTOR,  
15 BEST KNOWN AS A REGULAR CAST MEMBER ON THE ROWEN AND MARTIN'S  
16 "LAUGH-IN," WHO RECENTLY PASSED AT THE AGE OF 85 AT HIS WEST  
17 HOLLYWOOD HOME. BORN IN THE SMALL TOWN OF MARIN COUNTY TO A  
18 FAMILY THAT RAISED RACE HORSES. HE MOVED FREQUENTLY AS A CHILD  
19 BEFORE JOINING THE ARMY AND SERVING IN EUROPE DURING WORLD WAR  
20 II. HIS VETERANS BENEFITS GAVE HIM AN OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY  
21 ACTING AT THE PASADENA PLAYHOUSE. AND AFTER SPENDING MOST OF  
22 THE 1950S PERFORMING IN NEW YORK AND TOURING THE COUNTRY, HE  
23 SETTLED IN CALIFORNIA TO PURSUE TELEVISION AND FILM WORK.  
24 THOUGH HE LATER BECAME BEST KNOWN AS A COMEDIAN, HE BEGAN HIS  
25 CAREER WITH MANY STRAIGHT DRAMATIC ROLES. AFTER HE LEFT



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1 "LAUGH-IN," HE APPEARED IN A MEMORABLE SERIES OF COMMERCIALS  
2 FOR PETER PAN PEANUT BUTTER, MANY SITCOMS AND BOTH COMIC AND  
3 STRAIGHT ROLES ON STAGE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SISTER-IN-LAW,  
4 YVONNE SUES, AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. SECONDLY, MARCY KAPLAN  
5 GREENBERG, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF BEVERLY HILLS WHO RECENTLY  
6 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90. SHE DEVOTED HER CAREER TO  
7 ENHANCING THE WELFARE OF OTHERS. ORIGINALLY BORN IN DETROIT.  
8 SHE LOST HER MOTHER AT A YOUNG AGE AND RELOCATED TO CALIFORNIA  
9 WITH HER FATHER WHILE STILL A TEENAGER. SHE EARNED A B.A. IN  
10 PSYCHOLOGY FROM U.C.L.A. AND A MASTER'S WITH HONORS FROM  
11 HARVARD GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION. HER PROFESSIONAL  
12 ACTIVITIES INCLUDED SERVING AS PRESIDENT OF JEWISH FAMILY  
13 SERVICES, VICE PRESIDENT OF OR VICE CHAIR OF THE CALIFORNIA  
14 STATE SOCIAL WELFARE BOARD, A MEMBER OF THE GOVERNOR'S  
15 COMMISSION ON FAMILY LAW, A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
16 OF THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE AND CHAIR OF THE TASKFORCE ON  
17 THE JEWISH POOR. FOR MANY YEARS, A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF  
18 DIRECTORS OF THE JEWISH FEDERATION COUNCIL. SHE ALSO SERVED AS  
19 VICE CHAIR OF THE WESTERN REGION PLANNING COUNCIL OF THE  
20 UNITED WAY. AND ON ORGANIZATIONS' CORPORATE BOARD OF  
21 DIRECTORS. SHE WAS A GENEROUS, GIVING AND CARING INDIVIDUAL,  
22 WHOSE CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE SORELY MISSED AND NEVER FORGOTTEN.  
23 SHE WAS SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, DAN GREENBERG LEVINE AND  
24 RICHARD GREENBERG; A HOST OF GRANDCHILDREN, SEVEN TO BE  
25 SPECIFIC, AARON, KOBI, EMILY, ADAM, JAKE AND CARA; AND OTHER



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1 FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS. THIRDLY, ELDEN HUGHES, LONGTIME  
2 ENVIRONMENTALIST AND A LEADER IN THE EFFORT BY THE SIERRA CLUB  
3 AND OTHERS TO PROTECT THE DESERT'S WILDERNESS FROM  
4 DEVELOPMENT, WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY FROM PROSTATE CANCER IN  
5 HIS JOSHUA TREE HOME AT THE AGE OF 80. HE WAS KNOWN AS A  
6 CHARISMATIC FIGURE WHO MOBILIZED AND INSPIRED LEGIONS OF  
7 ACTIVISTS TO PROMOTE LEGISLATION AND REGULATORY EFFORTS TO  
8 PRESERVE OPEN SPACE AND PROTECT NATIVE SPECIES FROM  
9 DEGRADATION AND DESTRUCTION. HE WAS WIDELY CREDITED WITH  
10 HELPING TO SPEARHEAD THE SUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO ENACT THE  
11 CALIFORNIA DESERT PROTECTION ACT, AN EFFORT THAT WON  
12 BIPARTISAN SUPPORT AND WAS AMONG THOSE INVITED TO THE WHITE  
13 HOUSE WHEN PRESIDENT CLINTON SIGNED THE LEGISLATION. HE IS  
14 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE PATTY; SONS, MARK, PAUL AND CHARLES; AND  
15 THREE GRANDCHILDREN. AND, FINALLY, STANLEY G. ROBERTSON, A  
16 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF BEL AIR AND ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY  
17 PIONEER WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 85. HE WAS THE  
18 FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN VICE PRESIDENT OF BOTH A MAJOR T.V.  
19 NETWORK AND MOTION PICTURE COMPANY KNOWN FOR HIS TIRELESS WORK  
20 TO INCREASE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITY AND  
21 DIVERSITY INCLUSION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 58 YEARS,  
22 RUBY, HIS DAUGHTER JILL, FRANCISCA AND SON, CHRISTOPHER JOHN.  
23 AN ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE PASSING OF ELSIE ANN  
24 KLIENMAN, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF TOPANGA AND WHO RECENTLY  
25 PASSED AT THE AGE OF 82. BORN IN THE BRONX. SHE WAS WIDOWED AT



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1 AN EARLY AGE, AND RAISED FOUR CHILDREN ON HER OWN. LATER, SHE  
2 SET ON A JOURNEY OF EXPLORATION THAT TOOK HER TO MEXICO AND  
3 EVENTUALLY TO GUATEMALA, WHERE SHE SETTLED AND FORGED LASTING  
4 FRIENDSHIPS WITH PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD. AFTER LIVING  
5 AS AN EXPATRIATE FOR NEARLY 18 YEARS, ELSIE CAME TO LIVE WITH  
6 HER DAUGHTER AND HER SON, SON-IN-LAW KAREN AND GARY DANENBAUM  
7 AT THEIR HOME IN OLD TOPANGA. THE FIRST WINTER IN TOPANGA HAD  
8 SUCH TORRENTIAL RAINS, THAT OLD TOPANGA WAS FLOODED TO THE  
9 POINT WHERE HER FAMILY LEFT TOWN. BUT ELSIE WAS USED TO  
10 ROUGHING IT AND SAID, QUOTE, "JUST GET ME A PAIR OF RUBBER  
11 BOOTS. I'M STAYING." END QUOTE. ELSIE WAS ALSO AN AVID  
12 BIBLIOPHILE, COOK AND HIKER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY TWO SONS,  
13 BRUCE AND JEFFREY; TWO DAUGHTERS, SUSAN AND KAREN; AND OTHER  
14 MEMBERS OF HER FAMILY. THAT CONCLUDES THE FIVE MOTIONS  
15 SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. AND WE DO SO WITHOUT  
16 OBJECTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE PROCEED NOW TO PUBLIC  
17 COMMENT. AND I WISH TO CALL ON THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:  
18 ROBERTA AND MAY I ASK THAT YOU COME FORWARD AS YOU ARE CALLED?  
19 ROBERTA NEWTON, DARREN LEWIS? PATRICIA MULCAHEY, ARNOLD SACHS,  
20 WILLIAM BARRITT, ERIC PREVEN, IRENE PANG, AND KARLA BARRITT.  
21 IN THAT ORDER, PLEASE. PROCEED, SIR.

22

23 **ERIC PREVEN:** MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY  
24 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. FIRST OF ALL I'D LIKE TO SAY THANK  
25 YOU TO MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND THE OTHER SUPERVISORS FOR





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1 INITIATING SLIGHT DRUBBING FOR THE PEOPLE AT CALIFORNIA  
2 EDISON. OUR SYMPATHIES ARE WITH THE 9,000 MEMBERS OF THE  
3 PUBLIC WHO ARE STILL WITHOUT POWER AND THAT WILL BE REDUCED  
4 SOON. THEY ARE WORKING VERY HARD ON IT THANKS TO ALL OF YOUR  
5 FINE EFFORTS. REGARDING A COUPLE OF THE ITEMS THAT I WAS NOT  
6 ABLE TO ADDRESS PRIOR TO THEIR BEING HEARD AND THEN CONSIDERED  
7 AND THEREFORE VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT, ITEM NO. 7 HAS TO DO  
8 WITH THE EXTENSION OF THE GOVERNORS OF THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL  
9 HISTORY. NATURALLY THAT IS A GROUP THAT HAS MET INFREQUENTLY.  
10 IN FACT, I MADE THE JOKE TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS THAT THEY  
11 LAST MET DURING THE PLEISTOCENE ERA. BUT THE TRUTH IS GUYS,  
12 THESE COMMISSIONS DON'T MEET FREQUENTLY ENOUGH AND THEY DO NOT  
13 DO WHAT IS REALLY REQUIRED. AND THAT IS GOING TO BE SOMETHING  
14 THAT WE CONTINUE TO REPRESENT AMONG THE PUBLIC THAT WE NEED TO  
15 TRIM BACK. CERTAINLY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS IS THE LEAST OF  
16 OUR PROBLEMS. I'M REALLY SPEAKING ABOUT THE ECONOMY AND  
17 EFFICIENCY GROUP THAT WAS PUSHED THROUGH. TODAY SUPERVISOR IS  
18 CURIOUSLY ABSENT FROM PUBLIC COMMENT AND FOR MOST OF THE DAY.  
19 IN FACT, HE DIDN'T HEAR ANYTHING THAT I HAD TO SAY TODAY. AND  
20 I AM ASSUMING THAT HE AND GLORIA MOLINA ARE AT THE DEMOCRATIC  
21 GOVERNOR'S ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON AT THE BEVERLY WILSHIRE. I  
22 DON'T KNOW THAT FOR SURE, BUT IT'S JUST STRANGE THEY WOULD NOT  
23 BE HERE ON A DAY LIKE TODAY THAT'S SO IMPORTANT. ITEM NO. 14  
24 IS AN ITEM THAT I CANNOT BELIEVE IS PUSHED THROUGH. IT HAS TO  
25 DO WITH LAURIE MILLHEISER REQUESTING THAT 12 SEPARATE



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1 INSURANCE GROUPS HELP US WITH OUR SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM HERE  
2 IN THE COUNTY. BUT TO MAKE THAT MOTION AND PUSH IT THROUGH  
3 PRIOR TO HEARING ITEMS 46, 47 AND 48, IF I GOT THAT CORRECT, I  
4 KNOW THAT IT'S HARD WITH THESE NUMBERS, THEY CHANGE WEEK TO  
5 WEEK, THOSE HAVE TO DO WITH ANNUAL RISK REPORT AND COUNTER  
6 LITIGATION. LASTLY I WILL SAY THAT THERE WAS A PIECE ON 60  
7 MINUTES ABOUT MR. BROMENOFF, THE GUY WHO WAS INVOLVED WITH  
8 INAPPROPRIATELY INFLUENCING VARIOUS GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, I  
9 JUST WANT TO SAY THIS: THAT THE PUBLIC CARE A GREAT DEAL ABOUT  
10 THIS BUSINESS. AND WE COME HERE WITH INFORMATION IN SMALL  
11 CHUNKS, AS SMALL AS WE CAN MAKE THEM. AND THE NOTION OF  
12 AGGREGATING THE COMMENTARY INTO ONE SMALL PRESENTATION WILL  
13 NEVER HOLD UP. AND WE WILL WORK TOGETHER TO FIND A BETTER WAY  
14 SO THAT THE REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY THAT WE VALUE SO MUCH,  
15 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, WILL BE ABLE TO DO ITS ROLE AND PLAY  
16 ITS PART IN THIS, THE GREATEST NATION, CERTAINLY IN NORTH  
17 AMERICA.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'RE GOING  
20 TO MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKERS. BUT MAY I SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING.  
21 IT IS BAD FORM, IN MY VIEW, TO COMMENT ON WHY A MEMBER OF THE  
22 BOARD MAY NOT BE PRESENT, PARTICULARLY WHEN SPECULATING ABOUT  
23 THAT. THE PUBLIC RECORD WILL INDICATE THAT THERE'S A HIGH  
24 ATTENDANCE RATE FOR ALL BOARD MEMBERS. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT  
25 THAT IS THE CASE, THERE ARE CIRCUMSTANCES, SOMETIME



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1 EXTENUATING, THAT NEED TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED AND RESPECTED. AND  
2 SO WITH THAT, I TRUST THAT YOU WILL GOVERN YOURSELF  
3 ACCORDINGLY. YOU ARE FREE TO EXPRESS YOUR VIEWS. THERE'S NO  
4 CHALLENGE TO THAT. BUT IT SEEMS TO ME THAT REASONABLENESS  
5 OUGHT TO PREVAIL. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. MA'AM?

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7 **PATRICIA MULCAHEY:** I'LL LET HIM GO FIRST.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT, SIR. YOUR NAME.

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11 **DARREN LEWIS:** OKAY YES. MY NAME IS DARREN LEWIS AND TODAY I'M  
12 GOING TO BE ADDRESSING, IF I MAY, REDUCING THE RATE OF  
13 RECIDIVISM AND PUBLIC SAFETY.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** PLEASE PROCEED.

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17 **DARREN LEWIS.** OKAY, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT, AS I SAID, MY NAME  
18 IS DARREN LEWIS. AND I HAVE NOT FILED ANY TAXES SINCE 2005. I  
19 WILL BE GIVING YOU MY CREDENTIALS. I GRADUATED MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
20 FROM A PRIVATE COLLEGE AND RECEIVED IVY LEAGUE GRADUATE SCHOOL  
21 MASTER'S CREDENTIALS. I ALSO HAVE WRITTEN AND COMPLETED A  
22 FEATURE LENGTH SCREEN- PLAY. WHAT WAS IN MY ONE OF MY ORIGINAL  
23 PLAN WAS TO FIND A WAY TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM RATE AMONGST  
24 PRISON INMATES AND ALLOW OUR CITIZENS TO FEEL SAFER. HOWEVER,  
25 FIGHTING TERRORISM, YOU HAVE PUT THE TUNER NET OUT WITH THE



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1 PATRIOT ACT. BUT BECAUSE OF STEREOTYPICAL SUSPICION, YOU  
2 BELIEVE YOU CAUGHT A SHARK WHEN YOU HAVE ACTUALLY CAUGHT A  
3 DOLPHIN. WHAT I MEAN BY THAT, IS EVEN THOUGH YOU BELIEVE I  
4 MIGHT HAVE BEEN GUILTY OF A CRIME, THAT DOES NOT MAKE IT TRUE.  
5 IT APPEARS WE ARE LIVING IN A TIME WHEN DEMOCRACY IS BEING  
6 REDEFINED DURING THE EFFORTS OF FIGHTING TERRORISM. I GET IT.  
7 IF WE LIVED IN TOTALITARIANISM REGIME, I COULD BE ACCUSED OF  
8 COMMITTING A CRIME AGAINST ANOTHER PERSON BY WAY OF SOME SORT  
9 OF ASSAULT WITHOUT ANY PROOF OR VICTIM MAKING THE CLAIM,  
10 MERELY BECAUSE OF RESENTMENT OR A PERSONALITY CONFLICT. BUT  
11 THAT DOES NOT MAKE IT TRUE. I COULD BE ACCUSED OF HAVING A  
12 PRISON RECORD WHEN ONE DOES NOT EXIST. I COULD BE ACCUSED OF  
13 HAVING ADDICTIONS WHEN THERE IS NONE. I COULD BE ACCUSED OF  
14 HAVING A MENTAL ILLNESS. HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE WITH THE PRIOR  
15 STATED ACHIEVEMENTS? IN ADDITION TO WRITING THE SCREENPLAY,  
16 WHAT I HAVE DONE WITH MY ACCREDITED CREDENTIALS WAS TO DEVISE  
17 A PLAN OF ACTION, AN INNOVATIVE SYSTEM THAT WILL REDUCE  
18 RECIDIVISM. THE PRELIMINARIES HAVE ALREADY SHOWN TO BE  
19 SUCCESSFUL. HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF YOUR TUNER NET, CRIME  
20 CONTINUES TO GROW. HELP ME. YOU WILL HELP SOCIETY. DON'T  
21 CHANGE THE STATUS QUO AND YOU WON'T CHANGE THE STATUS QUO.

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23 >>SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR  
24 YOUR TESTIMONY, SIR. NEXT SPEAKER? PATRICIA?



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1   **PATRICIA MULCAHEY:** YES, NUMBER ONE, AGAIN, VIOLATION, CIVIL  
2   RIGHTS VIOLATION. AND THERE'S A LEGAL TERM CALLED MALFEASANCE,  
3   WHICH IS CORRUPTION THROUGHOUT THE GOVERNMENT. 2003, 2004 I  
4   HAD TO GIVE THE PAPERWORK IN REGARDS TO ANITA BOCK, YOUR  
5   C.E.O. TO THE GRAND JURY. THAT WAS 2003, 2004. IF YOU LOOK UP  
6   IN YOUR REPORTS, AUGUST THE SECOND, 2004, SEE WHERE  
7   COMMISSIONER HUREWITZ WAS. THAT'S SPELLED H-U-R-E-W-I-T-Z.  
8   AGAIN, THAT'S AUGUST 2, 2004. SEE HER COMMENTS AND MINE,  
9   PATRICIA MULCAHEY, M-U-L-C-A-H-E-Y. AGAIN, -- WHEN MY YOUNGEST  
10   DAUGHTER WAS GROWN, THEY WERE ALL \$45 MILLION MEDI-CAL FRAUD.  
11   MEDICAID AND MEDI-CAL FRAUD. YOU HAVE 12 FRIENDS WHO ARE  
12   MISSING IN REGARDS TO THE COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEYS. SOMEBODY  
13   RAIDED THE TARP FUNDS HERE IN CALIFORNIA. YOU HAVE THE  
14   GOVERNOR PUT WIRE- TAPS WITHOUT DUE SEARCH WARRANTS OR  
15   PROCESS, ON CELL PHONES UNDER DISGUISE OF THE TERRORISM ACT. I  
16   THINK IT WAS PRESIDENT OF THE NAME NIXON THAT GOT IN TROUBLE  
17   FOR THAT. ALL RIGHT. IF YOU CAUGHT THE SPECIAL WITH ANDERSON  
18   COOPER WITH C.N.N. NEWS PUTTING CHILDREN ON PSYCHE MEDS FOR  
19   THE HIGHER FEDERAL RATE? THAT'S ALSO ILLEGAL TO DO. OCCUPY  
20   L.A., OKAY THERE'S TOO MUCH, YOU ROLL YOUR EYES, SIR, OKAY,  
21   WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS ILLEGAL. IT'S CALLED MALFEASANCE, OKAY,  
22   AND AGAIN WITH THE GOVERNOR PUTTING WIRETAPS ON CELL PHONES  
23   WITHOUT DUE SEARCH WARRANTS OR DUE PROCESS, I THINK THERE'S A  
24   PERSON BY NAME OF NIXON THAT GOT IN TROUBLE WITH THAT. YOU HAD  
25   ALSO THE GOVERNOR SHUT DOWN JUSTICE RADIO STATION, ALL RIGHT?



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1 I GUESS HE WAS TOO AFRAID ABOUT HIS ILLEGITIMATE SON BEING  
2 KNOWN. ALL RIGHT? AND AGAIN AS COMMISSIONER HUREWITZ HER  
3 TESTIMONY, AUGUST 3, 2004.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
6 TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE, ARNOLD SACHS.

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING -- GOOD AFTERNOON,  
9 ARNOLD SACHS. I'D JUST LIKE TO GO OVER FEW ARTICLES IN THE  
10 NEWSPAPER FROM THE LAST WEEK. PLUS CONGRATULATE THE COUNTY  
11 FOR, WELL, TAKING THE ACTION TO SET UP AN AD HOC COMMITTEE  
12 ABOUT WHAT TO DO ABOUT THE IN-HOME CARE CUTS THAT ARE COMING  
13 UP. I BELIEVE THE IN-HOME CARE CUTS WERE CONSIDERED AS PART OF  
14 THE BUDGET BACK IN PRIOR TO JUNE OF 2011. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN  
15 NICE IF YOU HAD SPENT HALF AS MUCH TIME ON THE PLAN FOR THE  
16 PRISONS AND SPENT A LITTLE BIT MORE TIME ON DISCUSSING IN-HOME  
17 CARE CUTS INSTEAD OF WAITING TILL THE DECEMBER, THE LAST  
18 MEETING IN DECEMBER TO COME UP WITH AN AD HOC COMMITTEE. BUT  
19 HERE'S AN ARTICLE FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES, JUST TO KEEP  
20 EVERYBODY ON THE UP AND UP. FOR OUTSOURCING GIANTS, SHOE IS ON  
21 THE OTHER FOOT. FOR EVERY THREE MONTHS INDIA'S PRIME MINISTER  
22 MEETS WITH A SPECIAL PANEL ASSIGNED THE AMBITIOUS TASK OF  
23 FIGURING HOW TO PRODUCE 500 MILLION SKILLED WORKERS OVER THE  
24 NEXT TWO DECADES. THAT'S 25 MILLION WORKERS A YEAR THAT THEY  
25 WANT TO MAKE JOBS FOR. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IF YOU CAN GET 1





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1 PERCENT, IF YOU CAN GET A TENTH OF A PERCENT, THAT WOULD BE  
2 250,000 JOBS. ANYBODY GOT A MEETING GOING ON TO TRY TO GET  
3 250,000 JOBS TO STAY IN THE COUNTY OF L.A.? 250,000 -- MILLION  
4 JOBS. EXCUSE ME 500 MILLION JOBS IN 20 YEARS. 25 MILLION JOBS  
5 A YEAR FOR SKILLED WORKERS IN INDIA. WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO  
6 FIGHT THAT PROBLEM? ANOTHER PROBLEM: "BROWN DEFENDS PLAN TO  
7 CUT PENSIONS." WELL, HE HAD A PLAN FOR THE PRISON RE-  
8 ALIGNMENT. BY THE WAY, WHAT'S YOUR PENSION PLAN? OH, THAT'S  
9 RIGHT. YOU'RE \$20 BILLION IN THE HOLE! NO WONDER WE'RE DOING  
10 SO WELL IN THE COUNTY. CALIFORNIA IGNORES PUBLIC SAFETY TOOL  
11 USING LAURA'S LAW. THEN SOMEBODY WRITES A LETTER ABOUT LAURA'S  
12 LAW.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TIME IS UP. SORRY. YOUR TIME IS  
15 UP. MR. BARRITT? MR. BARRITT? IS WILLIAM BARRITT HERE? ARE YOU  
16 MR. BARRITT? OKAY. YOU'RE NEXT, MR. BARRITT.

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18 **WILLIAM BARRITT:** THANK YOU. I JUST CAME FROM THE LOS ANGELES  
19 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING, AND THEY'RE  
20 CONSIDERING A PROJECT R-2011- 00216-2, A CONDITIONAL USE  
21 PERMIT 201100024. AND THEY'VE GOT A CONTINUANCE UNTIL FEBRUARY  
22 21 OF 2012. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ENCOURAGE THE L.A. COUNTY  
23 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO FURTHER ENCOURAGE THE L.A. COUNTY  
24 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO ENTIRELY HALT THE PROJECT  
25 AND ANY OTHER PLANNED SITES UNTIL A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION OF



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1 ALTERNATIVE SITES COULD BE CONDUCTED. FURTHER, I WOULD LIKE TO  
2 ASK THAT THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ENCOURAGE THE  
3 F.C.C., THROUGH ELECTED CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES TO  
4 CONDUCT A THOROUGH AND IMPARTIAL STUDY OF THE SAFETY AND  
5 HEALTH ISSUES SURROUNDING BOTH CELL PHONE USAGE AND WIRELESS  
6 TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES THAT ARE LOCATED WITHIN 400  
7 METERS OF PERSONAL RESIDENCES, SCHOOLS, WORK PLACES AND FIRST  
8 RESPONDERS. THIS IS IN KEEPING WITH CONCERNS THAT HAVE BEEN  
9 FORMALLY RECOGNIZED BY THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT. AND I WOULD  
10 BEG THE QUESTION OF WHY NO SUCH STUDY HAS BEEN UNDERTAKEN HERE  
11 IN THE UNITED STATES CONSIDERING THAT THERE'S BEEN 15 YEARS  
12 SINCE THE 1996 WIRELESS -- F.C.C. WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS ACT  
13 WAS PASSED. SO THANK YOU.

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15 **IRENE PANG:** HI.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MISS PANG, YES, GO  
18 AHEAD.

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20 **IRENE PANG:** I'M IRENE PANG. I CONCERNED ABOUT PEOPLE USING  
21 PROPERTY AND MACHINE, AND FOR ANYONE WHEN YOU GO USING THE  
22 PRIVATE PROPERTY OR FACILITY AND HAD TO RESPOND TO THE  
23 PROPERTY DAMAGE OR THE ILLEGAL OR BUILDING PROPERTY. THEY HAD  
24 TO RESPOND -- SAY AGAIN. THE RESPONSE OF POLICE DEPARTMENT I  
25 BELIEVE IN ONE OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO



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1 PROTECT COMMUNITY PROPERTY AND PROPERLY AND PRIVATE PROPERTY.  
2 AND ALSO PROTECT THE PUBLIC SAFETY. ANYBODY FINDING PERSONAL  
3 PROPERTY ON THE STREET OR PARKING LOT OR ANYWHERE SHOULD HAND  
4 IN TO POLICE, LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT, ALSO THE DEPARTMENT. --  
5 AND THE VICTIMS PICK UP. BUT I CONCERNED THAT THE PUBLIC  
6 SAFETY I BELIEVE THEY ARE -- INTENT ON [INAUDIBLE] VICTIMS ON  
7 THEIR, I BELIEVE THAT THOSE, THEN -- ALL THE VIOLATORS SHOULD  
8 GET PENALTY BY LAW AND THE GOVERNMENT. THAT'S ALWAYS BEEN THE  
9 WAY.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. KARLA BARRITT?

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13 **KARLA BARRITT:** MY NAME IS KARLA BARRITT AND I'M A LONGTIME  
14 RESIDENT OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AND STEVENSON RANCH. I  
15 HAVE ALWAYS BEEN ACTIVE IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS. I'M PARTICULARLY  
16 CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROPOSED WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION  
17 FACILITY, OR W.T.F., PROJECT AT MALLORY DRIVE AND POE PARKWAY  
18 IN STEVENSON RANCH, WHICH IS IN A COMPLETELY RESIDENTIAL AREA,  
19 MR. ANTONOVICH. IN THE PAST, THE THREE OF THE BOARD COUNTY  
20 SUPERVISORS HAVE ENTERED MOTIONS EXPRESSING KNOWLEDGE AND  
21 CONCERNS OF ONGOING DEBATES WITHIN SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY AND  
22 AMONG THE GOVERNING BODIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD REGARDING HOW  
23 THOROUGHLY THE LONG-TERM HEALTH EFFECTS OF LOW-FREQUENCY  
24 ELECTROMAGNETIC AND RADIO FREQUENCY EMISSIONS ARE UNDERSTOOD.



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1 AND QUESTIONS REGARDING HOW WELL EXISTING REGULATIONS ARE  
2 ESTABLISHED IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. I'M SORRY.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TAKE YOUR TIME.

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6 **KARLA BARRITT:** WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN AND  
7 THESE THINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY. I'M A SEVEN-YEAR T-MOBILE  
8 CUSTOMER LIVING THREE HOMES AWAY FROM THE PROPOSED W.T.F.  
9 SITE. I JOIN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MANY OTHER SO-CAL  
10 COMMUNITIES IN THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT LOCATING W.T.F.S IN CLOSE  
11 PROXIMITY TO SCHOOLS, RESIDENCES AND WORK PLACES. I AM  
12 ESPECIALLY CONCERNED WHEN I DO NOT HAVE PROBLEM WITH CELL  
13 PHONE RECEPTION FROM THE BOTTOM OF STEVENSON RANCH PARKWAY ALL  
14 THE WAY UP TO THE TOP OF POE PARKWAY AND MOST OF MALLORY,  
15 WHICH IS THE AREA THAT THEY'RE SAYING THAT THEY'RE GOING TO  
16 TAKE CARE OF. I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROPOSED W.T.F. IT WILL  
17 MATERIALLY BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE LONG-TERM WELL-BEING OF MY  
18 FAMILY AND NEIGHBORS AND ENJOYMENT OF THEIR BACKYARDS AND  
19 HOMES. AND INDEED THE ABILITY OF ALL OF OUR HOMES TO HOLD  
20 THEIR VALUE IN THIS HISTORICALLY UNCERTAIN ECONOMY. MY HOME  
21 AND YARD IS MY SCENIC HIGHWAY, MY SANCTUARY, AND HAVING TO  
22 LOOK AT A GIGANTIC INDUSTRIAL CANISTER BEARING A DISPLAY,  
23 DISPLAYING SIGN SAYING HEALTH CONCERNS FOR HUMANS WITHIN THREE  
24 FEET.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, YOUR TIME IS UP. I  
2   APPRECIATE IT. DO YOU WANT TO LEAVE US THE WRITTEN REMARKS AND  
3   WE CAN MAKE THEM PART OF THE RECORD?

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5   **KARLA BARRITT:** YES. WE'RE ASKING FOR YOU GUYS TO HELP US OUT,  
6   PLEASE.

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8   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR.  
9   ANTONOVICH?

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11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ASK THE C.E.O. TO REPORT NEXT MONTH ON IF WE  
12   WOULD MOVE THE TOXICOLOGY DEPARTMENT FROM THE AG TO THE PUBLIC  
13   HEALTH DEPARTMENT. MOVING IT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.  
14   THE TOXICOLOGY LAB AND THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONERS'  
15   DEPARTMENT. IT MAKES MORE SENSE, IT'S A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE,  
16   BUT HAVE THAT REVIEWED BY THE C.E.O. AND COME BACK NEXT MONTH.

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18   **ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, WITHOUT OBJECTION. YEAH,  
19   BEFORE WE HAVE CLOSED SESSION, I HAVE A MOTION I WANT TO READ  
20   IN FOR NEXT WEEK. THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE ENACTED S.B.857,  
21   A ONE-TIME AMNESTY PROGRAM THAT TAKES EFFECT ON JANUARY 1 AND  
22   LASTS FOR A SIX-MONTH PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2012. THE PURPOSE  
23   OF THE AMNESTY IS TO PROVIDE A SIX-MONTH WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY  
24   FOR INDIVIDUALS TO PAY OFF COURT-ORDERED TRAFFIC AND RELATED  
25   NON-TRAFFIC FINES THAT WERE INCURRED PRIOR TO 2009 BY



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1 TENDERING 50 PERCENT OF THE BALANCE OWED. EACH COUNTY IS  
2 MANDATED TO PROVIDE THIS AMNESTY PERIOD. THE LEGISLATION LISTS  
3 THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS AMNESTY PROGRAM. THE  
4 VIOLATION MUST BE ONE THAT IS COVERED BY THE STATUTE. THE  
5 VIOLATOR MUST NOT OWE RESTITUTION TO ANY VICTIM FOR A CRIME  
6 COMMITTED WITHIN THE COUNTY WHERE THE TRAFFIC VIOLATION  
7 OCCURRED. THE VIOLATOR MAY NOT HAVE ANY OUTSTANDING  
8 MISDEMEANORS OR FELONY WARRANTS. AND FINALLY THE DUE DATE FOR  
9 PAYMENT OF THE BAIL OR FINE MUST HAVE BEEN ON OR BEFORE  
10 JANUARY 1, 2009. THE STATEWIDE AT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE  
11 COURT, A.O.C., HAS ADVISED THE COUNTY THAT ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO  
12 OWED THE FINE BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2009 AND HAS MADE ANY PAYMENT  
13 RELATED TO THAT FINE SINCE THAT DATE IS INELIGIBLE FOR THE  
14 PROGRAM. AS A RESULT, APPROXIMATELY 75,000 INDIVIDUALS IN LOS  
15 ANGELES COUNTY WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE  
16 AMNESTY. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COUNSEL AND COUNSEL FOR THE  
17 LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURTS HAVE CONCLUDED THAT THE A.O.C. HAS  
18 INCORRECTLY INCORPORATED AN ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT THAT IS  
19 NOT FOUND WITHIN THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE STATUTE. DEPRIVING  
20 THOUSANDS OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS AMNESTY  
21 PROGRAM IS NOT ONLY OUT OF CONFORMITY WITH THE ENACTING  
22 LEGISLATION BUT IT'S UNFAIR. CALIFORNIA TRAFFIC FINES ARE  
23 AMONG THE HIGHEST IN THE COUNTRY AND HAVE BECOME EXTREMELY  
24 ONEROUS TO OUR CITIZENS. IT IS ONLY FAIR THAT IF THE STATE  
25 WISHES TO GRANT A 50 PERCENT AMNESTY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE MADE





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1 NO ATTEMPT AT PAYMENT OF SUCH FINES, THEN THOSE WHO HAVE MADE  
2 PARTIAL PAYMENT SHOULD BE OFFERED THE SAME DISCOUNT. I  
3 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SEND A FIVE  
4 SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE CALIFORNIA JUDICIAL COUNCIL URGING  
5 THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS BE REQUIRED TO  
6 INCLUDE WITHIN THE S.B.857 AMNESTY PROGRAM THOSE INDIVIDUALS  
7 WHO HAVEN'T MADE ANY PAYMENTS TOWARDS FINES WHICH WERE  
8 INCURRED OR DUE PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2009 AND THAT THIS LETTER  
9 BY ACCOMPANIED BY SUPPORTING LEGAL OPINIONS FROM THE COUNTY  
10 COUNSEL AS WELL AS THE COUNSEL FOR THE L.A. SUPERIOR COURT.  
11 AND I FURTHER MOVE THAT THE LETTER BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE  
12 WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND THAT THE L.A.  
13 SUPERIOR COURT BE REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN OPINION THAT  
14 ADDRESSES THIS ISSUE AND THAT CAN ALSO BE FORWARDED TO THE  
15 JUDICIAL COUNCIL. THIS WILL BE FOR NEXT WEEK. WE HAVE CLOSED  
16 SESSION? GO AHEAD.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
19 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
20 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, CONFERENCE  
21 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEMS NO.  
22 CS-2 AND CS-3, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING  
23 SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ITEM NO. CS-4, CONFERENCE  
24 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING INITIATION OF LITIGATION, ONE



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1 CASE, AND ITEM NO. CS-5, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE  
2 EVALUATIONS AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1       **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION DECEMBER 6, 2011**

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5       CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

6       (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Gomez v.

7       County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. CV

8       040 9674.

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10      This litigation arises out of claims of retaliation by an  
11      employee of the Sheriff s Department. (10-0215)

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13      The Board approved settlement of the matter titled Gomez v.

14      County of Los Angeles. The details of the settlement will be

15      made available once finalized by all parties.

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17      The vote of the Board was unanimous with Supervisor Molina

18      being absent.

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20      In Closed Session, item CS-2 was continued two weeks to

21      December 20, 2011.

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23      No reportable action was taken on items CS-3, CS-4 or CS-5.

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1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number  
2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do  
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los  
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors December 6, 2011,  
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my  
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived  
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to  
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by  
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this  
16 12th day of December 2011, for the County records to be used  
17 only for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts  
18 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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20 JENNIFER A. HINES

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